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Suggested Objectives And Program For Southern Baptists In 1947

WALTER M. GILMORE

In the light of present pressing and distressing world needs, Southern Baptists are girding themselves for a greatly enlarged financial program in 1947. It is confidently expected that when the Southern Baptist Convention meets in Miami, Florida, May 15-19, definite plans will be adopted for putting on a great forward movement.

The Administrative Committee of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, together with the executive heads of the agencies and institutions of the Southern Baptist Convention met in Nashville, March 20-21, to formulate definite plans to be presented to a joint meeting of the Executive Committee, Southwide executives, state secretaries and editors of our Baptist papers call to meet in Miami, Florida, May 14, the day before the meeting of the Convention.

The following recommendations were adopted by the group named above.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF

COMMITTEE ON 1947

FINANCIAL PROGRAM

1. We recommend that this 1947 program be considered the second step of the long range financial program of the denomination proposed at the September 1945 meeting of the Executive Committee based upon the findings of the Survey Committee.

2. We recommend that the Co-Operative Program with the Every-Mem-

MODERATORS AND CLERKS HOLD FIRST STATEWIDE MEETING AT JACKSON

McCall Quarles And Rushing Are Officers

Moderators and Clerks of the 70-odd Baptist associations gathered in Jackson at the Baptist Building to hold their first state wide meeting and to perfect an organization.

Rev. David Cranford, headed a nominating committee, and presented the names of Dr. D. A. McCall, as permanent chairman of the group, Dr. Chester Quarles, Leland, as vice-chairman, and Rev. H. J. Rushing, of Laurel, as clerk. They were unanimously elected.

Rev. Cranford's committee also requested the elected officers to announce the date of the next meeting to plan the program, and suggested that the convention board again be requested to sponsor the meeting.

Dr. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, Ga., brought an inspirational message to the group discussing the history of Baptists and challenging his listeners to go back home, thrill their congregations with the glorious history of

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ber Canvass for the operating needs of the agencies and institutions be continued, the distribution of funds being according to the recommendations of the Committee on Allocations.

3. We recommend in addition to the Co-operative Program, a goal of \$7,000,000 for relief and rehabilitation in foreign fields, and for capital needs of our southwide institutions and agencies; and that this goal be broken down as follows: (1) Foreign Mission Board, for relief \$1,500,000; for re-

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BROTHERHOOD CONVENTION A GREAT SUCCESS

Over Five Hundred Men Attend First Statewide Meet

Harry Smallwood, Laurel, was elected president of the Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood Convention in its first session at the First Baptist Church, Jackson, April 1. Other officers chosen were Henry Edmonds, Jackson, vice-president, and M. F. Rayburn, Meridian, secretary.

Over five hundred men filled the large auditorium of the First Baptist Church. Representatives came from

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DR. J. M. PRICE

Dr. J. M. Price, Head of the Department of Religious Education, of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas, will speak twice at each of the two Sunday School Conventions, at the Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, April 23-24, and at the First Baptist Church, Jackson, April 25-26.

Dr. Price is easily one of the outstanding authorities on teaching that we have anywhere. We rank him with the best. His special emphasis in these convention messages will be along the line of better Bible teaching in our Sunday schools. Many teachers, as well as others, will be glad of an opportunity to hear this great teacher at these Conventions.

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Churches Make Fast Recovery In Shanghai

By RICHARD T. BAKER

SHANGHAI, —(RNS)—Scarcely any marks of eight years of Japanese occupation remain, and life has restored itself to the bustling tempo for which Shanghai has always been famous.

Shanghai could scarcely be called a religious city. It is commercial, cosmopolitan, port metropolis with few restraints upon public morals. But Christian life, despite the hysteria of the past six months and the occupation by the Japanese, has more than recovered.

Christianity in China faced three problems when the war was over: (1) recovery of property; (2) blending of the church from the free West with the church of the occupied East China with a minimum of friction, and (3) weeding out the collaborators and puppets. All three of these problems are today practically forgotten, so far have they gone toward solution.

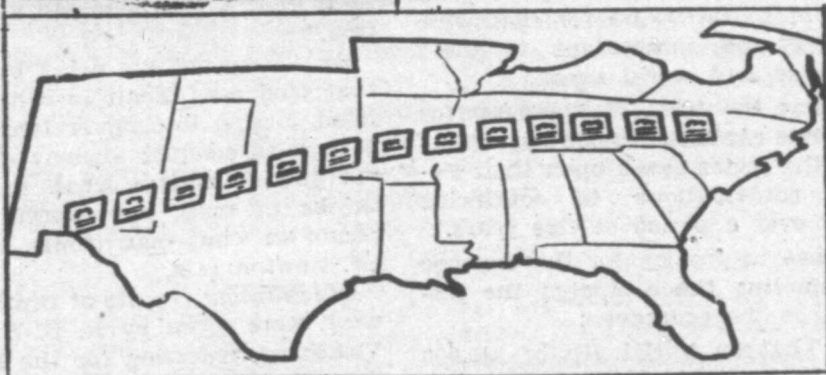
Many Christian properties were destroyed or occupied by the Japanese and their puppets. Immediately after Japan's surrender many of these properties were claimed immediately by the Chinese forces reoccupying the territories in which they stood. The Chinese government, through an order

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Three Million Awards Issued in Fifty Years



war.
Fāil, v. n. To be deficient; solvent; to perish; to decline; to miss.—2, v. desert; to disappoint; to fail.
Fāil'ing, n. Deficiency; i
Fāil'ure (fāl'yūr), n. Omission; non-performance.
Fāin, v. Glad; pleased.—
Fāint, v. n. To decay; t
2, a. Languid; weak; c
3, n. A fainting-fit; a s
Fāint'ish, a. Somewhat o
Fāint'ly, ad. Feebly; lat
Fāint'ness, n. Languor;



If each teacher training award issued since 1896 were printed on a certificate twenty-four inches wide, it would make a path of awards from North Carolina to New Mexico.

More than three million teacher training awards have been issued Southern Baptist Sunday school teachers since Dr. B. W. Spilman (left) started the program in North Carolina in 1896. A section of the page of the old dictionary used by Dr. Spilman is shown as it has appeared since the word "failure," was marked out after hours of prayer.

DR. SPILMAN SERVES FIFTY YEARS

By T. L. HOLCOMB
Executive Secretary

April 1, 1946, will mark the fiftieth anniversary of the employment of Bernard W. Spilman as state Sunday school secretary in North Carolina, the beginning of a new era in teacher training work in the Southern Baptist Convention.

The recent report of the International Council of Religious Education on Christian education said:

"Perhaps the most notable results

in leadership education among all denominations have been achieved by the Southern Baptist churches. Through their regular leadership curriculum and through their Baptist Training Unions, they have reached hundreds of thousands of workers. The aggressive outreach of Christian education among Southern Baptists may be attributed in large part to this training program."

After the election of Mr. Spilman

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there were many discouragements to face him. He became quite ill and the doctors thought he would die. The state Sunday school committee was so certain that he would die that the money allocated for his salary was used to pay other debts. But let Mr. Spilman tell the dramatic story:

"In the midst of discouragement a letter came from a friend urging me to get out of the field and quit. 'There is nothing but failure ahead for you. The folks are not ready for the type of work you are attempting,' he wrote.

"About two o'clock that night I came into Raleigh on the Seaboard train. I went to my office, prayed a while, and thought long and earnestly. I pulled down my little dictionary, and with my pen I marked out the word 'failure,' and it is marked out to this day. About two days later I was off again on my campaign."

After five years of pioneer effort in working out a teacher training program and field promotion plan for the building of Sunday schools in North Carolina, Mr. Spilman agreed to accept the invitation of Dr. J. M. Frost to undertake a similar program for the Sunday School Board in the Southern Baptist Convention territory. The Normal Studies for Sunday School Workers was put in final form. A Southwide program was started. Mr. Spilman continued to work at the program until he retired in 1941. He is now living in Kingston, North Carolina.

On March 1, 1946, the total number of training awards earned by Southern Baptist teachers since 1896 was 3,096,049 and will probably climb above 3,121,000 by April 1.

This large monument of training might well be dedicated on April 1 in "Launching a New Century with Christ." And in the dedication, mention should be made of the young man, Bernard W. Spilman, who 50 years ago removed the word "failure" from his vocabulary.

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Baptists.

Asserting that the Association is the most important organization after the local church, Dr. Newton asked, "How have we come where we are?" Answering his own question he said that information, Bible teaching, doctrinal teaching and denominational information were largely responsible for enabling Baptists to become the largest denomination in the United States.

Emphasizing the importance of the work of Associational Clerks, Porter Routh, Statistical Secretary of the Sunday School Board, in his address to the first State wide meeting of Associational Moderators and Clerks, presented an improved church letter for the use of churches in making reports to the Association.

According to Mr. Routh, Oliver Hart was the first Associational Clerk within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention and Robert Tanner, clerk of the Mississippi Association, was the first Mississippi Associational Clerk. Mr. Routh also stated that one of every 2.7 persons in Mississippi is a Baptist.

The 1946 Southern Baptist Handbook, of which Mr. Routh is the editor, is to have an added feature—it will contain the record of each church.

SUGGESTED OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAM FOR SOUTHERN BAPTISTS IN 1947

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habilitation \$2,000,000; total \$3,500,000 (the \$1,500,000 relief is not to be charged against the \$7,000,000 recommended for capital needs of the Foreign Mission Board by the Survey Committee). (2) Home Mission Board, \$500,000. (3) Southern Seminary, \$967,000. (4) Southwestern Seminary, \$829,000. (5) Baptist Bible Institute \$829,000. (6) American Theological Seminary, \$75,000. (7) Relief and Annuity Board, \$250,000. (8) Radio Committee, \$50,000.

4. We recommend that the distribution of these capital funds be in proportion to their relative goals as listed.

5. We recommend that designated funds for capital needs for any agency or institution be applied on its goal, but when the goal of said agency is met it will not participate further in distributable capital funds until the goals of the other agencies are met, however it shall continue to receive any designated funds.

6. We recommend that all southwide institutions and agencies be instructed to call off all special campaigns, as of January 1, 1947, for raising money for their respective capital needs; this however does not apply to any denominationally approved special offerings either for state or southwide causes, or to an institution's approach to individuals for special gifts.

7. We recommend that beginning with the Miami Convention we lay the ground work for this special campaign and that January-March be a period for intensive preparation and publicity, and April for the securing of cash and subscriptions to be paid on or before December 31, 1947.

8. We recommend that when the denominationally approved operating budget of any agency or institution is met said agency shall apply over receipts to its capital needs.

SUGGESTIONS FOR PROMOTING

1. That it is the sense of this group that the campaign in 1947 for capital needs of \$7,000,000 be for southwide agencies and institutions to meet southwide and world needs.

2. That the total of \$7,000,000 for southwide capital needs be apportioned to the states based upon their average contributions to southwide causes over a period of five years.

3. That to provide for the expense of promoting the campaign the following be the procedure:

(a) That an initial gift of \$10,000 from the Sunday School Board be requested.

(b) That each agency benefiting from the campaign be asked to advance necessary funds based upon anticipated receipts from the campaign, the same to be refunded to the agencies out of their subsequent receipts from the campaign.

4. That the Executive Secretary and the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention set up the necessary organization and employ the necessary helpers for the successful promotion of this program.

5. That Drs. McCall, Dillard, and Tripp, chairman of the Committee on Co-operation and Enlistment, bring to the Miami meeting recommendations relative to the promotion of the campaign.

Heretofore associational records have been printed.

CHURCHES MAKE FAST RECOVERY IN SHANGHAI

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of the Executive Yuan dated December 25, 1945, has taken a strong policy requiring military forces to move out of all church property and to respect religious freedom and the property rights of churches. Newspapers of the city are full of church announcements. Services are held regularly with congregations which pack the buildings to the doors.

Missionaries are returning. Many have come out of internment camps and gone back to work. The missions building near the Bund is a beehive of activity. The Baptist University of Shanghai has recovered its buildings, and a missionary is now in residence there to prepare the way for the opening of the university with the spring term. The Methodist McTyeire Girls' School has returned to its campus, which was used as a Japanese hospital during the war.

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all over Mississippi. Laurel and Jones County brought 135 men. Fifteen men came from Crowder, 170 miles from Jackson, and ten came from Lowrey Memorial, Blue Mountain, over 200 miles away.

Great addresses were delivered by Lawson H. Cooke, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, and by Dr. Louie D. Newton, pastor of the Druid Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta.

Mr. Cooke stressed the need of the churches to make larger use of their men, stating that 75% of the men would work if they were led to do so.

Dr. Newton spoke on the subject "Workers Together with Him." He said, "God is always looking for men who will work with him." "God is always looking for men," Dr. Newton told his large congregation. "Every job in the world is capable of accomplishment in terms of finding the right man, a man who will work with God."

He illustrated his point by saying that God used Noah to conquer the flood, Joseph to conquer famine, and Joshua to conquer ancient dictators. "It doesn't matter what the world thinks of man, but everything depends on what man thinks of God," Dr. Newton said.

Outstanding reports of Brotherhood work were given by R. S. Bradford, Vicksburg, reporting for the Bowmar Avenue Church, Rev. Homer Robertson, pastor; and by Evan Godwin, reporting for the South Side Baptist Church, Meridian, Rev. Estus Mason, Pastor.

In the morning session on Tuesday the Convention enjoyed a number of addresses. "The Brotherhood a Denominational Asset" was stressed by State Mission Secretary, D. A. McCall and "State Promotional Plans" by the State Brotherhood Secretary, J. H. Street. Fine reports by W. Horace Headrick, Laurel, on Associational Brotherhood Work and "A Brotherhood in a Country Church" by Bunk Jordan, president of the Beulah Brotherhood, Jones County.

Dr. Edward L. Byrd, Pastor, Highland Baptist Church, Meridian, spoke on the subject "A Pastor Looks at the Brotherhood."

The Convention closed with a forceful address by Dr. Louie D. Newton.



MRS. E. L. POPE

Mrs. Pope Makes Envious Record

Mrs. E. L. Pope of First Baptist Church, Kosciusko, Mississippi but formerly of Brookhaven, missed Sunday School second Sunday in June, 1945, first time after fifteen years and three months attendance, eleven years and three months of which were 100%.

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Ministerial Group Holds Prayer Service Each Night

By CHAS. A. RAY

A prayer group meets each night at ten o'clock in the basement of Chrestman Hall. A room for this purpose has been simply decorated so that it produces a prayerful atmosphere. Students have supplied a piano and hymn books. The piano is far from the best, but it serves the purpose and we trust that the Enlargement Campaign may provide a better one.

The ones who attend this prayer group come only for the purpose of prayer, with the particular object that in these days of transition and preparation the leadership of the Lord may be sought.

Attendance is not compulsory and the advertising of the meeting of this group is limited. It is the desire of this group that as the college grows in material equipment that the faculty and students may also grow in spiritual power.

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IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE OF OUR DEAR MOTHER

MRS. ISABELLE CARNEY

Born February 19, 1870

Died March 12, 1946.

Age 76 Years

You were a wonderful mother
There was no one like you
And the wonderful things you
Could say and do.

All your wonderful care,
Your devotion, your cheer,
Only made you grow daily
More precious and dear.

We hope to meet you wonderful mother,
On that bright and happy shore.

Lonely the house and sad the hours,
Since our dear one has gone.

But Oh; a brighter home than ours,
In Heaven is now her own.

Her Children,

Mrs. W. L. Alexander,
Mrs. B. E. Boyd,
Mrs. L. S. Boyd,
Mrs. C. T. O'Quinn,
Mrs. F. B. Summerall,
X. L. Carney,
Sim Carney.

Mississippi Baptists—Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1 Cor. 13:8

"We preach Christ Crucified." 1 Corinthians 1:23.

I
"He that is filthy, let him be filthy still, he that is unrighteous, let him be unrighteous still." (Revelation 22:11.) Here we have stated the eternal state and doom of the sinner without Christ! If a person refuses salvation in this life WITH Christ, the Church, the Bible, the Holy Spirit, praying loved ones and friends, how can he reasonably expect to be saved in hell WITHOUT Christ, the Church, the Bible, the Holy Spirit, praying loved ones and friends?

Some people say God is unjust in preparing hell for people. Jesus said hell was prepared for the devil and his angels. (Matthew 25:41). So in the first place hell was not prepared for people. However, some men and some women say, "I don't want God, I do not want the church, nor the Bible. I do not want the life of God." All right, God will not force Himself upon you. You say you do not want Him. You do not want to be around Him. There is a place where Jesus as Saviour and Lord is not, where the church is not—it is hell. You get what you ask for! Is God unjust in letting you have what you demand?

You may imagine how rotten would become the life of a community without Christ, the Church, the Bible and without even one Christian person! Then, you may begin to imagine the degeneracy in hell where Christ is not, where one Bible is not found and where not even one Christian life exists.

Yet we preachers and laymen go our ways complacently leaving the lost to their fate, letting soul-winning "go by the board" and allowing the spirit of real revival to be far from us!

II
"He that is holy let him be holy still, he that is righteous let him be righteous still." (Revelation 22:11.) It is good that the cleansing power of the blood of Christ lasts! How blessed it is that eternal life is the sort Jesus gives! "Blessed assurance, Jesus Is Mine! Oh! what a foretaste of glory divine." Our Father God holds us beneath the everlasting arm. Jesus said, "No man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand." (John 10.)

Many things have been written in the 21 chapters of Revelation. The last chapter is half completed. The Holy Spirit moves upon John to state that as men are, at death, so they will be forever. (Revelation 22:11.) It is good to be prepared! (Matthew 25.) "When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun." The stars shine over the earth, the stars shine over the sea. The stars look up to God, the stars look down on me. The stars shall shine a thousand years, a thousand years and a day, but God and I will live and love when the stars have passed away." Jesus declares, "In my Father's house are many mansions, if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go I will come again and receive you unto myself that where I am there ye may be also." (John 14.)

Remember! As you are in life and at death so will you be at the judgment and forever!

It is judgment or reward! A bad boy fears to come into the presence of his righteous father. The downcast look of the boy portrays a guilty conscience. On the other hand a loving, dutiful child rushes gladly into the presence of the parent. In Revelation 6 those rejecting Jesus cry for the rocks and mountains to hide them from the face of the Lamb. In Revelation 7:9-16 those who have received Him linger lovingly in His blessed presence!

III
Consider some of the blessings (?) the Black Market Tax on liquors and the repeal of the prohibition laws have brought upon this great land.

We were in a South Mississippi city and about 4:00 o'clock one morning, in connection with what was manifestly a drinking party, a prohibition repeal citizen drove a prohibition repeal woman from his room for, as he shouted, "running with another man"—probably another prohibition repeal citizen! As we write this in a Memphis hotel, a drinking party goes on in the next room with loud cursing and an occasional threat against a wife! Thank God there are some places left where decency thrives, but where are they?

IV
J. B. Tidwell Plus God by Robert A. Baker published by Broadman Press, is the story of a consecrated servant of God whose sheer courage, determination and sacrifice made him a great teacher and leader. Price \$1.50. This may be purchased from the Baptist Book Store.

WHAT WE OWE, AND HOW TO PAY IT

By THOMAS KANE

"Why should I devote a certain definite proportion of my income to God and His work in the world?"

The first and very much the most important reason is, because it is God's law, or principle, if you prefer the word, having its origin in the mind and will of God; and the second, because you thereby promote your spiritual and temporal interests. In short, it pays. Pays in the highest and best sense of the word. Pays in spiritual blessings, pays in temporal prosperity, pays in peace of mind in having a question of duty settled. Transfers from you to your Heavenly Father the responsibility of how much it shall be; permits Him to decide whether it shall be little or much, as He prospers you.

"I am afraid I cannot afford it."

It is natural that you should name this objection first, as it is the chief obstacle with nearly all Christians. But you can. If you will try to you will keep it up because you will find that you cannot afford not to do it. I mean in dollars and cents. Your objection is from the temporal standpoint, and so is the reply. Did you ever try it? Ever know a business man, professional man, farmer, or worker for wages who had tried it and was not more than satisfied with the results? Thousands, tens of thousands of laymen in the United States and other countries are doing it and have been for years.

If there are exceptions they ought to be known.

"Is it not wrong to appeal to my love of gain in this matter?"

Do you not pray for God's blessing on your temporal affairs? Do you mean what you say when you do? Do you not daily ask for the promised wisdom that you may be guided by it in all your duties? Do you keep your business, or daily labor, or your profession separate from your religion? Don't you work for gain? Gain, that you may care for those you love and those who are dependent upon you? Gain, that you may give them every advantage within your power? Gain, that you may do much more than this: that you may have to give and do for others; that you may the more liberally aid and support those who give themselves to charitable, benevolent and Christian work; that you may give more for the spread of Christ's Kingdom in the earth? Is it wrong to pray for temporal prosperity with these objects in view?

"But are there no higher motives?"

There may be, but it is the temporal side of the question we are talking about—the practical side to you and me. You and I are laymen, not ministers; we don't preach; we are not missionaries. We may have to work hard and constantly to make ends meet, and care for our households and loved ones. Yet we owe something to others, do we not? Something to God, in practical recognition of the fact that to Him directly or indirectly we owe all we have or possibly can have.

"But we cannot pay what we owe to God personally."

True, but you can pay it through His agents, by which is meant your pastor, your church officials, your missionaries, in short through every man or institution devoted to building up Christ's Kingdom and depending for support upon the contributions of Christians.

"How much do we owe?"

God says one-tenth, the tithe. Surely He should know.

"Is this all we owe? Do we not owe everything to Him?"

Certainly, inasmuch as everything really belongs to Him. There is only so much money, so much property in the world. That which you now call yours belonged to some one else before it came to you, and it will belong to yet another when you leave it, but while in your possession you are accountable for its use. God does not ask that you pay it all back at once or that you transfer it to others, but He does ask and remember for your sake, and for your own good, for some constant practical recognition of His ownership and your stewardship. Whether you accept the fact or not, you are His steward for the entire amount, and you, and not another, must render an account for all He lends you.

200% PROFIT

Such letters as the following touch the heart and conscience of all of us. "One year ago I wrote to you about tithing, this being my first year, I will report to you the facts as they are today with me.

"While I paid up in full and was obliged at times to add more to it, as you know I was a section hand at \$3.20 a day when I started, and I could not see my way clear at first. At times the Lord tested my faith but I always took out the Lord's amount first.

"I cannot explain just how it all happened. There is a blessing everywhere — in the flour bin, groceries, wages, gardens, sickness — things happen all unexpected, all in my favor. Today I am sub-foreman at \$160 a month and I did not run after the job either. So you see I have to increase my tithe quite a bit. You may think this is bragging on myself but it is the truth.

"I begin to believe that tithing is the best paying business out, for it has paid me nearly 200% on money invested. You have a safe bet that I will keep it up. If this testimony will help another beginner, you can print it."

VI HEAVEN SEEMED VERY NEAR

(By An American Air Force Officer On Guam)

The little chapel had been built out of almost everything you could think about. As I looked I saw parts of airplanes, battleships, airport hangers, and American army tents forming the floor and walls. To support these walls of steel and canvas, were bamboo poles and coconut palms from the jungles.

You may think the appearance could not have been very pleasing, but on Guam it was beautiful. For the people who built this temple of worship had lived through two terrible invasions; and they were turning the tools of war to the service of their Saviour and King. Yes, they were really beating the swords of war into plowshares for the Father's vineyard.

And as the little children began to gather on this Sunday morning, I knew that they too had tasted the bitterness and suffering of war. They would have been just Juniors in some Sunday School class back in America, but they were all old enough to remember when the Japanese came and killed many of their fathers and mothers and little playmates. Some of them had scars made perhaps by bayonet or shell as the Americans came to drive the Japs away and set them free.

These little children were like the chapel; they seemed to be put together of almost anything. Some wore Navy red and white signal flags, or GI trousers cut off at the knees. Others did not cut them off but wore their feet right through the knees while the rest dragged behind them.

One of them wore something of which he was very proud — an AMERICAN helmet. But it came so far down over his little head that you couldn't even see his chin, and a friend led him around to keep him from bumping into things. Though it must have been so heavy his knees almost gave way under

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Mississippi Ranks Fourth In Gifts For February

The report of Dr. Austin Crouch for February shows that Mississippi's gifts ranked fourth in the Southern Baptist Convention with total gifts amounting to \$68,190. Twenty-one thousand nine hundred eighty-seven dollars of this amount was for the cooperative program and the balance, designated gifts. North Carolina led with more than \$87,000 contributed.

The nineteen states of the Southern Baptist Convention and the District of Columbia gave for the month of February \$683,338. Contributions for the two months of the year have increased \$385,631, above the same period in 1945.

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"Go Thou And Do Likewise"

Recently our mail brought a letter from a North Mississippi town with the message that a good woman of that community and church was subscribing for the Baptist Record for the pastor of the local Negro Baptist church.

A few days after the receipt of the letter from North Mississippi came a letter from a pastor in South Mississippi, who sent the names of five colored preachers from his community and asked that the Record be sent to them for six months and the bill sent to him. He remarks that they are doing a good work and that he wants to help them. He decided that the best way to do it would be to send them the Record. We heartily concur in his opinion and these names have been added to our mailing list.

We commend the action of these two to others throughout the state. The expense is small, but think of the help that pastors among the negroes may gain by having access to the Baptist Record 51 weeks in the year.

Gestures similar to this will do more to build a feeling of good

will and Christian fellowship between the races than many speeches upon the subject. "Actions speak louder than words."

—BR—

Send Your Pastor

The time for the Southern Baptist Convention is drawing near. Your church should be represented. One of the representatives from your church should be your pastor, along with some laymen. Your pastor will come back from the Convention to his church field informed and inspired.

As your representative he will have had a part in making decisions and setting policies in the Convention. He will bring to you the inspiration from the sermons, the addresses and the reports of all agencies of our Convention.

Along with the information and inspiration he will have had fellowship with friends, many of whom he has not seen since the last Convention. The relaxation of the "in-between" hours and at meal times will be good for your pastor.

Arrange for him to go with the church providing sufficient money to take care of his expenses both for travel and entertainment. Other organizations plan from one year to the next to send their representatives to state and national Conventions. If your church has not provided for your pastor's expenses to the Convention through the church budget, the deacons should take the matter in hand.

Make your pastor a better pastor and preacher by sending him to the Southern Baptist Convention to be held in Miami, Florida, May 15-19. He should go in time for the pastor's conference on Monday night and stay through the closing session on the 19th.

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Prayer Requested Liquor Provided

In another column is an item urging that sessions of the UNO now being held at Hunter College, New York, be opened with prayer. From the item printed below (from the Memphis Commercial Appeal) it seems that more than prayer is needed.

NEW YORK, March 24—(INS)—The parched palates of the United Nations Security Council delegates—and their guests—will be moistened with the choicest liquor at bargain prices.

Even liquors that are scanty in New York City bars and taverns will flow copiously at Hunter College. A 20-foot mahogany bar has been set up in the plush lounge outside the conference room for the delegates and their guests.

How can a liquor drinking crowd expect God's help? We

hope they are sober when acting on matters that mean so much to so many.

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A Good Investment

Send your Sunday school superintendent and Training Union director to Ridgecrest. It will be money well spent. Ridgecrest will give them something worth more than mere dollars. Its inspiration and information will greatly increase the value of your Sunday school superintendent or Training Union director. If they are worth anything they are worth the small cost of a trip to Ridgecrest.

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Wrath is an honorable feeling, in spite of a popular belief that it is something on the evil side. God himself has wrath. When God's wrath is spoken of, many shy away from Him because when He is wrathful many think He is cruel. This is not true for the wrath of God is a righteous thing.

Our mistake is found in our defining God's wrath in the light of our own. His is legal; ours is personal. God's wrath is His displeasure over His broken laws. It does not cause Him to despise the violator, or wish him evil. God's Word over and over declares His love for the world, even sending His son that the violator might not experience hurt because of God's wrath. Certainly it is not His will that any perish. While we were yet enemies of God he was planning good things for us. God's wrath takes no personal delight in the sufferings of the ones causing it by breaking His laws. Now, our wrath usually includes a desire that our enemies suffer. Our hearts fill with personal vengeance toward the one sinning against us. This is wrong. For our wrath to be honorable it must remain legal, extending only to where our rights have been violated.

In Germany and Japan we are happy to see that our government is seeking to bring justice and not a personal vengeance for wrongs done us. Evidence is being documented and presented only on the basis of acts performed. We are proud of our nation in this role, for it is limiting its actions to legal wrath, and thus withholding personal wrath. If this is carried out even the conquered people will have no occasion to point a finger at these trials.

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Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

The Pastor's Fund

Lawson H. Cooke
Scripture Reading: James 1:17-27.
Quite probably very few who will

read this article have ever heard of a "Pastor's Fund." Certainly there are very few churches that maintain such a fund.

The purpose of this discussion is to explain the operation of this very important item of church financing, and also to hope that every Brotherhood in the Southern Baptist Convention will start a Pastor's Fund at once.

It should be stated at the very outset that the Pastor's Fund is not for the financial benefit of the pastor; he does not use a dollar of it for himself. It is simply a plan to place at his disposal a nominal amount of money with which he can meet the emergencies that almost daily confront him in his pastoral work. It does not in any way enter into the budget of the church; it is separate and distinct from church expenses and the Cooperative Program.

While this fund is not a part of the budget of the church, it should be a part of the financial record of the church, except as to the details of disbursements—the reason for not recording the details is quite obvious. The pastor reports each month's receipts and disbursements—without details—and, of course, the balance on hand.

The Pastor's Fund is usually started, and is generally maintained, by personal contributions, largely from the men of the church. The fund is never large, usually ranging from several hundred to a thousand dollars.

Takes Care of Emergencies

It would be a fine thing for each layman in the church to take one day off and make the daily rounds with his pastor, starting out with him in the morning and staying with him until he returns to his home at night. The layman would meet with many situations he never dreamed of. Such an experience would give him a better understanding of the load which his pastor has to carry, and would give him a deeper appreciation of his pastor's worth.

The layman, taking this day out with his pastor, would immediately see that the pastor has numerous demands which require immediate action and which could be relieved by a few dollars appropriately applied to the situation. These cases are not met on the street corners and in the market places—quite naturally so. Yet nonetheless they are real and need immediate attention.

Some might suggest that all the pastor has to do is to call on a layman, explaining the situation to him, and the necessary funds will be forthcoming. Maybe, but suppose the layman is not accessible, or that the necessary amount is larger than one layman can give at the time. Then it would be necessary to call on several laymen, and with no little embarrassment to the pastor.

Under any circumstances it seems that it would be far better to make these contributions in advance so that the money would be immediately available to the pastor.

Relieves Embarrassment

Jesus had a lot of common sense and He was speaking with plain common sense when He admonished us "When thou doest thine alms do not sound a trumpet before thee . . . but when thou doest alms let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth." This statement is just as applicable in another sense to the

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one who is receiving the alms.

There are many situations with which a pastor has to deal that require relief but which would be seriously embarrassed by unnecessary publicity.

Sometimes there are persons within the church family, and on the outside, who merit the ministry of the church but who would not consent to such ministrations if the facts were to be published in the church paper, or even reported in the privacy of the fellowship committee. . . .

The Pastor's Fund can be used to relieve these delicate situations without embarrassment, and a life can be reinstated and started again without the handicap of unnecessary publicity.

This is not an argument against the regular fellowship fund which is dispersed in most churches by a special committee. But there are situations to which such general and public relief should not be applied, and still other cases in which it would not be accepted. Here is where the Pastor's Fund comes in.

Has a Missionary Value

There is a decided missionary value attached to the Pastor's Fund. It brings Christ into direct contact with the needs of the world. Giving a cup of cold water to a thirsty person is always a fine thing to do; it becomes Christian, however, only when given in the name of Christ.

To feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, to bring hope to the discouraged, to minister to the sick and suffering—all these are excellent. They are, however, but the acts of a good neighbor or friend unless in some way Christ enters into the transaction. Then, and only then, do they become Christian.

In the community the pastor is thought of as the spokesman of the church; he is looked upon as the Master's ambassador of good will. When, through the Pastor's Fund, he touches the needy spots of the community, and brings brightness and hope and relief to the distressed, he does it in the name of his Lord, and such ministries bring men and women into a consciousness of God's providence, and thus the gospel of Christ is made known to persons who perhaps might otherwise not hear it, or, hearing, might not understand.

Instead of the impersonal, mechanical, systematic distribution of community relief, against which we would have no criticism, we have in the dispensation of the Pastor's Fund a warm, personal, sympathetic consideration of those in need, and the ministry is discharged by a minister of the gospel, and in the name of his Lord.

Builds Good Will

Every benevolence from the Pastor's Fund carries the name of the church with it. Not only is help given in the name of our Lord, it is given also in the name of — Baptist Church. The implication is inescapable and it is impossible to estimate the good will thus created.

This is true wherever the pastor goes and in whatever he does. Men and women know him as the pastor and representative of his church, and they recognize that whatever consideration they receive from him has come through him from his church.

The most valuable asset that a business concern has is its good will. Millions of dollars are being spent in

Mississippi Group At Southern Baptist Seminary



The Commission for April has a two page article by Georgia Mae Ogburn, Principal of the Woman's Missionary Union Training School of Chile, telling of her work in that country. The article is illustrated and is entitled "Chile Knows the Co-operative Program." Miss Ogburn graduated from Blue Mountain College in 1938.

Alfred Carpenter, Superintendent of Camp Work, has informed us that Chaplain Charles Francis Wills, now instructor in the Chaplains' School at Ft. Oglethorpe, (Georgia and a native of New Jersey, is available for a teaching position in a Baptist school. This Chaplain prefers to come South when he leaves the army.

The need of more foreign missionaries is urgent and grows more urgent every day. Preachers and teachers, doctors and nurses are needed NOW for tragically under-staffed foreign stations. If you know a volunteer, tell him about this. If you are a foreign mission volunteer, write to J. W. Marshall, Secretary of the Department of Missionary Personnel, Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Richmond 20, Virginia.

Prayer is the pure upreach of the soul's white hands . . . When the mind takes wings to unseen realms; where beauty sings and truth o'erwhelms the faulty syllables of mortal speech! —Basil Martin.

advertising and publicity and by other methods to create good will for business concerns. And in the transfer of a business its good will is rated at the top in financial value.

Good will is as valuable an asset to a church as it is to a business concern. Nowhere is this more evident and nowhere more readily recognized and appreciated than in his use of the Pastor's Fund.

Reading from left to right: First Row: Mrs. Leven Moore, Ethel; Mrs. Bill Watson, Tupelo; Mrs. Bill Prout, Tupelo; Miss Maxie King, Canton; Mrs. Tom Douglas and Martha Gail Douglas, Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. David Byrd, Prentiss.

Second Row: Leven Moore, Newton; Bill Watson, Ellisville; Bill Prout, Tupelo; Miss Olive Powell, McComb; Tom Douglas, Louisville, Ky.; David Byrd, Clinton.

Third row: Troy Prince, Laurel; Degee Hillman, Leakesville; Lawrence Saul, Laurel; Miss Eleanor Hobby, Columbus; Miss Nella Dean Mitchell, Louisville; Miss Zelma Van Osdell, Pascagoula; Miss Nell Taylor, Florence, Ralph Garland, Little Rock, Ark.; Clarence Watson, Yazoo City; Kenny Pepper, Louisville, Ky.; Othell Hand, Collinsville (President).

Fourth Row: George Jenkins, Lucedale; Earl Kelly, Evru; Joe Everett, Magee; Cliff Perkins, Columbus; Clark McMurray, Daddssville.

Not present for picture: Stanley Smith, Wanilla; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tucker, Cleveland; Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Mayhall, Jonestown; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jones, Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jolly, Okolona; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Herrington, Clinton; Mrs. Troy Prince, Leakesville; Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Brown, Columbus; Mr. and Mrs. David Garnt, McComb; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Tolar, Clinton; Charles Whitten, Weir.

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Through the generosity of a friend, the First Baptist Church of Poplarville is now the owner of a fine, new RCA-Victor motion picture projector, wired for sound. This is probably the first church in Mississippi to plan a regular schedule of visual education, showing Home and Foreign Mission pictures and Bible Story lessons twice a month.

Rev. J. W. T. Siler, clerk of the Deer Creek Association reports that there is an error in Table VI of their Associational minutes in Table VI on Church Property. The captions above the last two columns (On Insurance Carried and Indebtedness) should be reversed.

Feature speaker for the Homecoming Week at Baptist Bible Institute was Dr. W. Hersey Davis, of the faculty of the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Ky. Keynote of Dr. Davis' addresses was proper interpretation of the New Testament in the light of present knowledge of the New Testament Greek. Selecting a few choice scriptures whose interpretations lay hidden deeply in a knowledge of ancient Greek, Dr. Davis was of special interest to seminary Greek students. Other leading visitors were: Dr. James W. Meritt, Executive Secretary of the Georgia Baptist Convention; William Hall Preston of Southwide Baptist Student Union fame; Miss Kathleen Mallory, Executive Secretary of Southwide Woman's Missionary Union. Dr. P. H. Anderson was the faculty lecturer.

Homecoming activities at the Baptist Bible Institute during the last week of February marked the beginning of last semester studies for the present school year. Additional students enrolled stretched housing facilities toward the traditional "straw that broke the camel's back" level. With no relief in sight the administration urges all friends of the seminary to rush gifts for the new dormitory for men in order that an anticipated increase in enrollment might be satisfactorily met.

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REV. JACOB GARTENHAUS

MODERN SAGA OF FAITH IS GARTENHAUS STORY

All Southern Baptists join in hearty congratulations to the Home Mission Board and to Jacob Gartenhaus upon the completion of a quarter a century of ministry to the Jews. For 25 years, Jacob Gartenhaus, a Southern Baptist Jew, has carried the gospel of Christ to his brethren. Jacob Gartenhaus' career reads like an epic of spiritual adventure and a saga of heroic faith. Baptists are concerned that our brethren of the Hebrew race shall know that the supreme event of history — the coming of the Messiah — has transpired and the Messiah is Jesus Christ our Lord, the world's only Saviour.

God in a mysterious way spoke to a Jewish lad in Austria as He did to Abraham in Ur of the Chaldees: "Get thee out of thy country and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee." (Genesis 12:1) So Jacob left this country and people and proceeded to "the land of the free and the home of the brave" expecting to find gold. Instead, he found something infinitely more precious, his Saviour, Israel's true Messiah.

The very first day Christ entered his heart he rushed out into the street and stopped two of his own people to tell them that the promised Messiah had come. Soon others gathered and within a few minutes he was witnessing to a crowd. Before that meeting ended Jacob was beaten nigh unto death. That same night he was ordered out of his uncle's home where he lived and was told never to return. That same week he was dismissed from his position. But all of this only served as a tonic to his faith.

In Chicago, as a student at the Moody Bible Institute, he also witnessed to his people in season and out of season. From there he went to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and it was while there that a wealthy uncle paid him an unexpected visit, offering him a fortune if he would give up Christ. But Jacob's reply to him was that not ten thousand dollars or even ten times that would make him change. To him, giving up Christ meant giving up his very life. His uncle then made another effort by bringing Jacob's mother and sister from Austria to this country, feeling confident that they would accomplish what he could not. When word reached him at the Seminary that his mother and sister had arrived, after much prayer in which the entire student body and faculty took part, Jacob left to meet his people. Many wondered whether they would ever see him again. Meanwhile, more prayer went

WOMEN'S CHORUS MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE



Outstanding performances are being rendered by the Mississippi College Women's Chorus, under the direction of Prof. E. N. Elsey. Mrs. Elsey is the accompanist. One of the departments that probably will profit most largely by funds from the \$637,000 Mississippi College Enlargement campaign now being led by Dr. D. A. (Scotchie) McCall, general director, is the Music Department. Great strides have been made in recent months so that the musical groups now appearing on the campus are reflecting credit on the progress made. Prof. and Mrs. Elsey came to the Choctaw campus from Louisiana State University.

The following sing in the Women's Chorus:

Left to right, front row: Gloria Bell, Wiggins; Linda Rouse, Prentiss; Betty Smith, Pelahatchie; Jean Furr, Tylertown; Margaret Martin, Tillatoba; Betty Zachary, Lena; Dorothy Emmett, Phoenix, Ariz.; Opal Young, Clinton; Dora Esther Garrett, Star; Bertie Mae Warren, Morton; Billie Ryle, Boyle; Patty Ann Hall, Carthage; Christine Sullivan, Mt. Olive; Ruth McMullen, Detroit, Mich.; Yolie Carter, Rolling Fork; Freda Gillaspay, Annette Horne, Monticello; Isabelle Smith, Jackson; Mr. Elsey, Director.

up for him than ever before.

Three days later he returned to the Seminary, heartbroken, for he had to make a choice between mother and Saviour and chose the latter. It was then that the entire student body and the faculty lived over again some apostolic experiences and perhaps for the first time caught the real significance of the Saviour's words, "He that loveth father and mother more than me is not worthy of me." (Matthew 10:37).

It was while Jacob Gartenhaus was at the Seminary that the conscience of Southern Baptists were stirred to their responsibility for the chosen, but Christ-less people, Israel. In its search for the right man to direct the delicate task of winning these people, the Home Mission Board turned to this young man from Austria, thoroughly trained from his youth up in the schools of the rabbis and later in the Christian schools of our own country, having graduated from four of them. When the complete story of this pioneer work is written, it will read like chapters in the book of Acts.

Whose heart has not been touched by hearing or reading about this modern apostle, how he faced the shut doors, steeled hearts, the literature which was torn and thrown into his face, the abusive language, his imprisonment, beatings at the hands of his own people, and, as if that were not enough, the callousness and indifference from Christians.

Though he never expected to see it, he even had faith in a brighter and better day when his people would turn to the Lord according to promise. But that day came sooner than anticipated by him or anyone else. The seed so faithfully sown had taken root and now we are witnessing doors once shut flung wide open; hearts once steeled, softened; literature once refused,

garteefully received and read. And what is even more glorious is that more of his people are turning to Christ than ever before in history.

For 25 years now Jacob's voice has been heard in practically every state in the union and many other countries. During these years he has produced a literature that is recognized for its scholarship. He is the author of several volumes, numerous tracts, all of which have seen many editions and have been translated into a number of languages. He has also written hundreds of articles. Jacob is perhaps the most widely known Christian Jew

Third row: Nell Rose Sharp, Silver Creek; Martha Shaw, Arcola; Miriam Hollis, Chalybeate; Frances Poole, Monticello; Virginia Cartledge, Winona; Helen Dale Armstrong, Georgetown; Betty Jane Watson, Drew; Phronie Wade, Hollandale; Mary Jo McNeese, Columbia; Hilda Logan, Doddsville; Dorothy Peeler, Silver Creek; Narcissa Alexander, Boyle; Charlotte Davis, Wiggins; Mary Elizabeth Gilbert, Meridian; Bobbie Russell, Monticello; Edith Denman, Charleston, and Mary White Nelson, Clinton.

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Northside Baptists Expand Building

Jackson Church Breaks Three Records In Six Weeks

Northside Baptists are building another temporary annex to their present house of worship. A few months ago they enlarged the auditorium space by building an annex that would seat approximately 200 people to care for greatly increased congregations in all worship services.

This week the foundation has been laid for an additional annex at the rear of the present building to provide added educational facilities. This new annex will house three departments of the Sunday School and be utilized for recreational activities. Three times within six weeks the Sunday School has broken all past attendance records and other organizations and activities of the church are marked by similar rapid growth.

Architect's plans for the new building to be located on Canton Avenue at Woodland Hills are nearing completion and work will be started in the near future.

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At Hepzibah church, Jeff Davis county, there is much rejoicing over the progress made under Pastor W. H. Wood, who is living on the field in the modern new parsonage. The church runs a bus to bring people to services, and has added a cradle roll and extension department to its Sunday school. The B.T.U. is stronger than ever. Large crowds attend the worship services. Funds are being raised to build a new auditorium, which will release needed space for expansion in the work. Members are being added, and the church faces its second year with Pastor Wood full of enthusiasm.—Mrs. Kelly Smith, reporter.

Carthage: We rejoice at the continuing revival spirit in our church as on Sunday, March 24, there were four more additions which maintains an average of more than one addition per Sunday.

in the world today. Southern Baptists may well thank God for him and his contribution to the cause of Christ.

Assistant Pastor Available

We know a pastor's assistant who . . .

1. Visits every home of the church membership every week.
2. Brings spiritual encouragement, Christian tidings from around the world, and the latest ideas on promotion of our denominational causes.
3. Guarantees that every member of the church will become more appreciative of the church and the ministry it offers.
4. And also insures that this increased interest in the church will bring increased financial gifts in excess of the assistant's salary.

We speak of the Baptist Record.

This assistant pastor may be had for the low cost of 81/3 cents per month for each home in the church. Eight hundred Mississippi churches have tested the EVERY FAMILY plan and found it to be all that is claimed.

Thursday, April 4, 1946



Brotherhood Department

J. H. Street, Secretary

STATE BROTHERHOOD SECRETARIES MEET

It was the privilege of the Secretary to attend recently a two-day conference of State Brotherhood Secretaries in Memphis. L. H. Tapscott, Texas, was elected president of the group and C. E. Holcomb, Florida, was made secretary. Brethren Lawson H. Cooke and Hugh F. Latimer of the Southwide office were perfect hosts.

Ten states now have Brotherhood secretaries; and three others have appropriations made for the opening of departments. Never was the outlook so good for the work among the men of Southern Baptists.

FIRST, QUITMAN

Rev. W. L. Meadows had everything in readiness for the meeting of his men on Tuesday night, March 19. He had talked over the possibility of organizing a Brotherhood and had distributed literature. He had announced the meeting and had taken commitments from the men to attend. At the appointed time thirty-four men assembled around an attractive table in the lower auditorium of the church; and the brother appointed to preside took charge. First, there was an inspiring period of singing. Then prayer was offered; and the men enjoyed a generous meal.

After a message by the secretary, the men voted to organize a Brotherhood. A Nominating committee made the following report, which was unanimously adopted: president, W. Z. Hugins; membership vice-president, J. O. Dukes; program vice-president, M. M. Shirley; activities vice-president, C. P. Huff; and secretary-treasurer, W. H. Bealle. These brethren will use the Journal. They will meet monthly for the present.

Pastor Meadows has been right in the forefront of every denominational movement for the last twenty-years. He has been an active leader in Sunday School, Training Union, and other great kingdom undertakings. It is not surprising that he and his church should lead out in the work among the men.

LAUREL BROTHERHOOD HONORS VETERANS

One hundred sixty-six men of the First Baptist Church, including more than a score just returned from the armed services, were guests Tuesday night, March 26. A sumptuous banquet was served in the church basement and sponsored by the Brotherhood, especially honoring the returned veterans. The feast, with half a fried chicken featured, was prepared and served by groups from each circle of the W.M.U. under the supervision of Mrs. P. M. McDonald. Brick ice cream in two colors and cake climaxed the menu.

"MEN MOBILIZED FOR THE MASTER" was the theme of the occasion and B. D. Casey served as toastmaster. Good fellowship prevailed with C. D. Boyd leading in song with Mrs. B. F. Ogletree at the piano. Dr. L. G. Gates, pastor emeritus, who served this church more than 40 years, pronounced the Invocation.

Chas. T. Walters, chairman of the banquet and fellowship committee and veteran clerk of the church, gave the

welcome address; and Lonnie Meador, former circuit clerk of Jones county who served with the U. S. Army in the European War Theatre, made the response. "WHAT THE RETURNING SERVICE MAN CAN MEAN TO THE CHURCH," was discussed by Carroll Gartin, veteran, and Sam Pack, lawyer, and teacher of the Brotherhood Bible Class and also a veteran, spoke on "WHAT THE CHURCH CAN MEAN TO THE RETURNING SERVICE MEN."

A parody on "On to Victory," called "ON TO JACKSON," was sung under direction of C. M. Leggett, who outlined the State Baptist Brotherhood Convention program and directed enlistment of local Baptist men for the trip to the Capital City. Mrs. J. Lewis Gates delighted the crowd with a vocal solo, "The Lord's Prayer," before the Rev. James W. Parrish, pastor, brought the principal address on "Finding Faith's Fruit." The minister, a veteran of the U. S. Navy, where he served as Chaplain, challenged his hearers to have faith even when it appeared the practical facts were stacked against them and be assured of the victory. J. W. Buckley, Brotherhood president, said the benediction.

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Siwel Church Has Remarkable Growth

H. G. COLLINS, Church Reporter

The Siwel Church located on the Raymond road seven miles southwest of Jackson has experienced remarkable growth during the past year as was evidenced by the Sunday School attendance on March 10. The following statistics give the comparison of this Sunday with a year ago: Enrolled 124 and 74, total present 116 and 53, and grades of 68% and 60%. This is not the only growth that has been made, but it is indicative of the progress of the entire church.

At the beginning of this association year the church voted to go from half-time to full-time and the Lord has prospered this effort. It has a very active B.T.U. and great interest is shown in the midweek prayer service. In the B.T.U. study course that has just been completed between forty and fifty were awarded diplomas or seals. There is also at present an enlargement program under discussion work-

Vicksburg Church Establishes Six Missions All Deacons Are Tithers

A New Testament Church should be a witnessing church. Such a church is the Bowmar Avenue Church of Vicksburg. The pastor, Homer W. Roberson, is leading this church in a mission program that we believe is unsurpassed by any church in the state. Not only is Brother Roberson evangelistic in his preaching, but he leads his church to go afield and win souls to Jesus. Almost every Sunday people walk the aisles for Jesus when he has finished telling them the "Great Old Story." Not only has he led every one of his deacons to tithe, but he has inspired them to be personal soul winners. The baptismal waters of this church are stirred every other Sunday night.

Brother Roberson has led the church

Dr. And Mrs. McCall Entertain Ministerial Group

Dr. Claude Bowen of Jackson was the principal speaker and Dr. John Newport of Clinton was toastmaster at a banquet given by Dr. and Mrs. "Scotchie" McCall honoring ministerial students and their wives and dates in the Mississippi College dining hall. Two hundred and fifty guests were present. Three faculty members and a number of students from Clarke College, and all the local members of the Board of Ministerial Education were among the invited guests.

Music for the occasion was furnished by Mrs. Ray Megginson on the accordion, and by a quartet composed of Joe Walters of Hattiesburg, Wayne Coleman of Louisville, Tracy Barnett of DeKalb and Bracy Campbell, Jr., of Marks, Miss Rachel Waggener of Jackson accompanied on the piano. The delicious meal was served by Misses Vonda Webb and Frances Jackson, dieticians at the college.

Joe Causey, outgoing president, introduced the officers who had been recently elected and who are to be in charge for the next year. They are: Glen Sherrod of St. Louis, president; Bob Patterson of Memphis, vice president; Jack Nazery of Louin, treasurer; John DeFoore of Sidon, secretary; Carl Case of Wesson, chorister; Jack Glaze of Morton, pianist; Charles Ray of Fort Worth, reporter, and A. L. Mills of Clara, mission chairman.

The outgoing officers are Joe Causey, Quenton Floyd, Foy Rogers, Sam Crawford, Benton Evans, Richard Spain, Ray Megginson and C. O. Lindsey. The sponsor was Mrs. Joe Causey.

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Work is under way on the building of East Church, Greenville. The church reported states that they are also trying to build a church for the building. On Sunday March 24, there were eight additions, four for baptism. Congregations continue good, despite the handicaps of meeting in the Court House.

ing toward either a new building or an enlargement of the present one. We thank God for all His blessings and request an interest in the prayers of His people for the advancement of His Kingdom.



Department of Church Music

LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

Value Of Music Stressed

When we consider the value of music in worship we are astounded. Have you considered this matter seriously?

Why do we have music as a part of our worship service? Is it necessary or is it just a custom, and would something else do just as well? Does music aid or hinder the worshiper? Is music worship itself?

B. B. McKinney and Allen Graves in the book "Let Us Sing" go into this subject in a positive way. We quote from them the following passages:

"We believe the basic purpose of music in the church is worship, to aid in worship, and is an act of worship. Every service of the church opens and usually closes with music.

Music is the universal language of mankind and lifts us closer to God. It is the language of the soul and God is the author. God is the creator of the greatest musical instruments on this earth. Men have built instruments of wood, of brass, ivory and metals of all kinds, even the great pipe organs, but the human voice is greater than any instrument. God created it.

Music unites our people and creates in them a desire for a closer fellowship with God and one another. What is as stimulating as great congregational singing? In this part of our services every person can have a part. Those unlearned and with little knowledge of music can have a part. Most pastors and all evangelists know the spiritual value of good music. The right kind of music prepares people for the message that follows. If the hearts have been warmed and the spirit has moved people to sing, they will listen.

Let us sing. Let all the people sing. If music is a part of worship, let us have more and better music in all of our services.

Make plans to attend your District Music during the second and third weeks of April. Eight conferences will be held in the state. Watch the Baptist Record for announcements.

Have you planned for the music in your revival meeting? Do not wait until a few weeks before the meeting and expect to get the best song leader. Appoint a music committee in your church to assist the choir director or song leader in all of the music of your church. Plan revival music well.

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When you wonder about your "juvenile problem," just remember that each month the boys and girls of the United States are reading 9,260,000 cheap adventure magazines, nearly 3,000,000 "true confessions" or filthy sex stories, three and one-fourth million detective stories which reveal every possible aspect of how to commit crimes and get away with them, and more than ten and one-half million movie magazines, filled with "sex-appeal" pictures. "Out of the heart are the issues of life," so how expect clean living when the heart is fed on such filth?—Western Record.

P. S. DOHERTY,
Chairman of Deacons.

MESSAGE OF DEDICATION BAPTIST BUILDING

November 13, 1945

By JAMES L. SULLIVAN

Mr. Chairman and friends: The text which I take for this occasion is 2 Chronicles 2:4-5, words from the lips of Solomon as he said, "Behold, I build an house to the name of the Lord my God, to dedicate it to Him. . . . And the house which I build is great: for great is our God. . . ."

Years before these words were spoken by Solomon, a noble purpose had been born in the heart of his father, David. Having become acutely sensitive to the circumstances that he, the King of Israel, was residing in a mansion, while Jehovah, the God of earth, had only a tent for a tabernacle, David resolved to build a Temple which would be beautiful and spacious and would be in keeping with the depth of love which his people had for their Creator.

Acting on this great purpose of heart, David purchased a fitting plot of ground in Jerusalem where was the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite. He also hired men—men to make nails, make ornaments of brass, and prepare for the beginning of construction.

But God forbade David the honor because he had shed blood abundantly. However, while he did not permit him the privilege of construction, he did commend him that such a noble purpose had been resolved in his heart.

After David's death came Solomon to the throne and construction of the temple was begun forthwith. It was built on the beautiful site, on Mount Moriah, 2400 feet up, which David had selected. Like a city it was to be set on a hill where it would not be hid, but where it could reflect the light and teachings of God to the people in the valleys below.

The divinely prescribed dimensions and plans were followed minutely. The main super-structure was of white freestone quarried at the northern edge of the city. The interior was covered with wood, the walls and ceilings being of cedar and the floor of cypress. The wood was carved in the unique design of palm trees, and the whole house was ornamented with overlaid plates of gold. The veil was blue, purple and crimson, with fine linen. Man's deep urge to show his love to God was therefore expressed in this wonderful piece of workmanship, as thousands of people contributed to its construction in labor and gifts.

Upon completion of the building, the ark was brought in amid music and thanksgiving. To the assembled host of witnesses Solomon spoke. Briefly he reviewed the history of the period of construction, and praised God for his blessings. Then he offered a memorable prayer in which he asked that the Temple might be filled with the glory of God, and that the people might be filled with His goodness. It was thus that the Temple assumed a vital role in the lives of the people, and became a vital factor in the welfare of the nation.

Letting our imaginations play as we view the ancient Temple, we see more than a building of stone, cedar, and gold. It is more than a mere masterpiece of human genius. It is rather a magnificent tool in the hands of a mighty God, that humanity might be lifted and God glorified. And it is the product of a peculiar partnership. God was the designer, men were the constructors, and God and men were the benefactors.

Now let the centuries roll past—hundreds of them, until the year 1945 comes before us. Notable year in Baptist achievement it is. For decades prior we have been hampered by enslaving debt and we could not do what our hearts actually felt. But the December Debt-Free Celebration of 1944 not only ushered in a glorious new year, but a new era was also born. And now another striding step has been added to Mississippi Baptist achievement as a new head-

quarters building has been secured and is being dedicated.

This new building is a thing of beauty, and I hope, of joy forever. Of course it will in no sense compare with Solomon's Temple in magnitude and elaborateness, but it does match it in nobility of purpose, and it surpasses it in the purity of the message which shall issue from it. From the walls of this new Baptist Building shall be proclaimed a Messiah already come, and a Redeemer already risen.

As we have met here to dedicate this great building to our great God, two things come into view. First, we see it standing in silent proclamation of great truths. Second, we see it dedicated to sacred purposes in divine work. May we view the building in these lights, first witnessing:

I. THE SILENT PROCLAMATIONS.

This building cannot speak, and yet it proclaims truths. It is silent, yet its very walls declare great messages. What are these silent proclamations? Hear them:

1. It Symbolizes Baptist Strength. Solidly built, this building suggests the might of the ones who tonight do dedicate it. Stone, cement, brick, steel, tile—these are ageless and fireproof, bespeaking security and strength. Of these this building is constructed. May these enduring elements of which this building is built attest the strength and security of the Faith propagated from its walls in an age when too much is hay, stubble, and wood.

Baptists are mighty, and they are enduring. They have grown under the lash of the rod and the stroke of the sword. They have prospered in spite of the sneers of the sinful world, and the jeers of misunderstanding men. Today Baptists stand as the largest religious group in the State. A mighty army! A marching host! A sea of faces! A stream of men! Marching and mighty, brave and daring, volunteers all!

This stalwart building symbolizes Baptist might.

2. It Certifies Baptist Liberality.

Ample in size, attractive in construction, dedicated without debt, this building depicts Baptist generosity.

Purchased at a cost price of \$110,000, insured, improved, adapted to our organizational setup, and paid for without a special drive or a dime of debt proves the liberality of our people.

Nor was this building purchased with the fortunes of the few, but with the mites of the masses. Dollars from men, quarters from women, and pennies from children given through the channels of our regular program, made available the money for so adequate a plant. Many hands had part in its purchase and preparation.

This spacious building certifies Baptist liberality.

3 It Verifies Baptist Cooperation.

Our new building's usefulness is in its unity. Stones in one pile, brick in another, and cement unmixed with sand can house none. Rather they litter the lot and clutter the path. Yet these same elements mixed and fitted, hewn and hammered, cut and laid, each in its place, give the secret of strength.

Never have I seen Baptist cooperation more beautifully shown than in the purchase and renovation of this building. Every vote cast for it was unanimous whether by Convention, Committee, or Board. How unlike Baptists!

Usually where two or three Baptists are gathered together there are three or four opinions sometimes eight or ten. But here the Convention authorized the movement without dissenting voice or vote. The Convention Board set up its committee which in turn unanimously agreed on the present project, and their report was unanimously approved by the Board in full session. For this to be done so unanimously by liberty-loving, free-thinking, free-talking, sometimes loose-talking,

individualistic and independent Baptists is quite a record.

Every time I see this compact building, it shall verify for me Baptist cooperation.

4. It Memorializes Baptist Leadership.

What a monument to Baptist leadership! Baptists are proud of those men who have risen from the ranks to assume places of leadership, and to win crowns for themselves and glory for their God.

What leadership God has blessed us with! Never did a state have better ability and consecration in its Executive Secretaries than Mississippi has had. Walne, Ball, Gambrell, Christian, Rowe, Lawrence, Gunter and McCall have been men of genius and men of God. With them have been the Leavells, Byrds, Lipseys, and many, many others.

This building is also a monument to many who do not have their names etched in bronze or carved in stones, but their pictures hanging from walls, but they have labored long and well and have sown seed nobly that we tonight might gather sheaves of this glorious harvest.

This monument to these men is not like some silent slab by the wayside grave where many of our former leaders sleep. It is a living, activated, serving monument in the service of the God they loved.

This useful building memorializes Baptist leadership.

5. It Dignifies the Baptist Name.

Please do not misunderstand me. I do not mean the stiff, starchy dignity. We all resent that. We mean instead that it invests the Baptist name with honor, exalting and ennobling it, because of our achievement.

No doubt you have felt as I have and as David did, that it was not fair for our homes to be of finer design and frame than the building that housed the great work of God.

But inadequate and outmoded quarters are now a thing of the past, and the new building is on a part with the progress of the age and the trend of the times.

This beautiful building dignifies the Baptist name.

Silently, but gloriously our Building proclaims what our hearts feel. Now please consider with me a moment:

II. THE SACRED PURPOSES.

The Temple of Solomon was for a purpose. It was an object of beauty. But more, it was also a tool to be used. The new Baptist Building is an object of beauty, yet it was not purchased for its beauty. It was bought to be used. Its beauty is enhanced by its utility. This building has a work to do, a mission to fulfill. What is her mission? We dedicate her to the purposes of:

1. Organizational Efficiency. She is dedicated to the task of more closely correlating and coordinating the work of our churches, and of helping the organizations of the local churches in functioning properly and capably.

This is Baptist headquarters, not in the sense that we have an heirarchical setup and that orders are passed down from here. God forbid! Were this so we would lament this purchase and rue this day.

The flow of authority is in the opposite direction. This is Baptist Headquarters in that our efforts as Baptists are united at this point, and our funds are pooled here, and unitedly we promote God's work from here.

The laborers housed here are not our bosses. They know it and we know it. They are our loyal servants under God, and they are dedicated to the task of helping us do a better work for God in our local churches.

Voluntary strength is greater than drafted might, and Baptists are volunteers. But volunteers need organization, and organization needs efficiency.

2. Denominational Service.

This building is dedicated to service. These laborers are dedicated to that spirit. They will go to the last church at the end of the last lane over the last hill in this great commonwealth to ren-

MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

April 8—M. H. Harkley, Wayne County Convention Board Member; T. M. Hederman, Jr., Trustee, Mississippi Baptist Foundation.

April 9—Will Price, President Brotherhood, District 2; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Deaton, Supervisors, Memorial Building, Baptist Orphanage.

April 10—Dr. N. W. Cox, Convention Board Member, Lauderdale County; Mrs. J. F. Scull, W.M.U. Superintendent, Deer Creek Association, District 2.

April 11—Mrs. George S. Neal, Hostess, Chrestman Hall, Mississippi College; Frank E. Skilton, director Public Relations, Blue Mountain College.

April 12—Rev. J. R. Reedy, Convention Board Member for Zion Association; Miss Clare Etta Berry, Assistant Dean of Students, Blue Mountain College.

April 13—Pray for V.B.S. Clinics in each Association April 15-17; Mrs. Lewis Yarbrough, B.T.U. Director Hinds-Warren Association.

April 14—Mrs. Sherrod Townsend, State W.M.U. Coupon Chairman; Rev. W. L. Meadows, Clarke County Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

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Little Rock, Ark.—(SBPA)—Lt. Paul Geren, former Northern Baptist missionary to Burma and associated of famed Dr. Gordon Seagrave, has filed as a candidate for Congress from Arkansas' Seventh District. Geren is the son of Rev. H. M. Geren, retired Baptist minister at El Dorado.

der service to God's people and God's churches.

From here stewardship is proclaimed and monies received for orphanages, hospitals and aged ministers.

Here tracts are given, publications are printed, suggestions offered and helps are distributed.

Here our worship services are aided as our music is lifted to more worshipful planes.

Service in any field, every field is given. Never enforced, but always it is gladly offered. This is the spirit of the laborers whose offices are housed here.

3. Universal Evangelism.

Here me here, Brethren! If we fail at this point, we have failed utterly. To fall down here is to commit blunder beyond repair.

This building exists first and foremost for the purpose of leading our people to the great mission ideal. Soul-winning must be kept in the foremost place which it now occupies.

State Missions! We begin here, knowing that every sect and ism that arises in Mississippi is a monument to our failure and neglect. But we go also to Home Mission fields and Foreign Mission fields, sweeping aside the barriers of race and nation to proclaim Christ a universal Saviour.

To the sacred task of winning souls by witnessing for Christ we dedicate this building. Let His name be reflected from every stick and stone in this structure. Let His matchless name be on the lips of every laborer here. Let His saving name be published and preached as His work is promoted from here.

May such a program of missionary endeavor be inaugurated here that the Name of Jesus shall be shouted from the housetops, preached under brush arbors, sung from our hymnals, printed in our publications, and taught in our homes, that men everywhere might hear of Him, and hearing they may consider, and considering they may believe and be saved.

We are blind until we see

That in the human plan,

Nothing is worth the making

If it doesn't make the man.

Why build these buildings glorious

If man unbuilds goes?

In vain we build the building

Unless the builder also grows.

Thursday, April 4, 1946

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
W. E. ROBERTS, Associate



Miss Mary Virginia Lee

Miss Mary Virginia Lee, Southwide Intermediate leader, of the Baptist Sunday School Board, will direct the Intermediate conferences at our two Sunday School Conventions: Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, April 23-24, and the First Baptist Church, Jackson, April 25-26. We are sure that many Intermediate workers will want to take advantage of Miss Lee's rich experience in this work through these years.

Free V. B. S. Literature

The packages of 1946 free literature for Vacation Bible Schools is now ready to be mailed on request. In each such package are several items that will be most helpful in the planning of Vacation Bible schools. If you need some, write us.

Southwide Teaching Clinic

A Southwide Better Bible Teaching Clinic will be held in Atlanta, Ga., April 29-May 3. The Atlanta churches will provide bed and breakfast, and the Sunday School Board will provide the noon and evening meals for those attending. Thus, the only expense to each one is the transportation and a \$3.00 registration fee.

Only a limited number from each state can be cared for. If any one in Mississippi wants to attend that Clinic write your State Sunday School Department at once and we shall send you an application blank. A great faculty has been provided. We hope several will be there from our state.

Ridgecrest At Home

For our two Sunday School Conventions we have secured some of the finest workers to be found anywhere. Most of them appear on Ridgecrest programs year by year. Others of them have been on at various times.

Thus, in bringing to Mississippi this fine array of talented and capable people for these two Conventions, we are giving to our people an opportunity to get at home some of the very same good things that are received at Ridgecrest. Therefore, we hope that many people will take advantage of this privilege of receiving all the good things possible from these fine speakers and conference leaders who are coming to be our guests for a few days. They are the finest we can secure; so let's not let this privilege pass us by. Plan now to attend one of the Conventions.



MR. LUTHER A. HARRISON

Mr. Luther A. Harrison, our State Music Secretary, will lead the music and also have charge of the Extension Department conferences at our two Sunday School Conventions, in Hattiesburg and Jackson, April 23-26. He is certainly well qualified to do both and we know that many people will get a real blessing from his fine services in these two parts of our Convention program.

City-Wide Cradle Roll Emphasis Week

During the week of March 18-22 a City-Wide Cradle Roll Emphasis Week was held in Jackson. This was the first week of its kind tried in the state and it proved a great success. Forty two were enrolled from every church in the city but one. Workers from Clinton and First church, McComb, also attended. This effort was sponsored by our state Sunday School department in cooperation with the city churches. Mrs. Walter L. Jones, superintendent of the Cradle Roll department of the Third Baptist Church of St. Louis, Mo., was the capable leader of these conferences. The work of the Cradle Roll departments of the churches represented will be greatly strengthened as a result of this week together.

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Dr. Henderson Preaches Double Series Of Sermons

Dr. C. S. Henderson, pastor of East Baptist Church, Greenville, is preaching a double-header series of sermons. In the morning services the theme is "Some Things the Father and Mother Need." The evening series is entitled, "Some Things the Son and Daughter Have."

Morning subjects are:

"Christian Courage or Superficiality," "Courage to Face The Facts," "Courage to Give Up Known Sin," "Courage to Work with God," "God Will Supply Specific Help," "The Promise of Power to Win," and "The Glory of Triumphant Victory."

The subjects for the evening services are:

"I Have a Monopoly on My Signature—My Name," "I Have Some Time Yet to Spend—My Age," "I Have a Peculiar Place To Live—My Home," "I Have a Lot to Invest—My Business," "I Have a Lot of Advice to Consider—Friends," "I Have Some Things Yet to Learn—My School," "I Have Some Things to Give—My Church."

A FAVORITE SERMON

"First To The Church, and Through It To The World."

By REV. E. G. WALTMAN,
Rt. 2, Forest, Miss.

Scripture: Luke 24:45-47—Then opened he their understanding that they might understand the scriptures, and said unto them, thus it is written, and thus it behooveth Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day. And that repentance and remission of sin should be preached in his name among all nations beginning at Jerusalem.

Repentance seems to be one of the highest objects of our Lord's ambition, a chief commandment to his commissioned body. As noted in Revelation, chapters two and three, it seems that

there should always be seasons of revivals, repentance and a back-to-the-Lord movement, even among the people of God. Our Lord's last message to this people was to repent. Repentance must involve something. This must not be neglected on the part of God's people.

Neglect darkens the lintels and dims the light. "For if the salt hath lost its savor wherewith shall it be salted?" Then it follows that if the lintels be dimmed how shall it be light, or be called the salt-saving and light-giving plant of the world?

Let me say then that this is not the time to attempt to solve the problems of the world's conflict, but first, the problem of cleansing the lintels and receiving light that we may have something to offer the turmoil and conflict of our day. May I say that repentance is one of the greatest weapons that can be used. Repentance, prayer, confession of sins, a willingness on the part of God's people to rededicate themselves to Him are essential. It has been said that some of our local rural church units represent a large bunch of threads all of different colors as compared to their differences in belief.

I recall a preacher's saying from the pulpit that the reasons the pastor could not do any more toward bringing in God's kingdom on earth was that too much of his time was consumed "sugaring" a few of the "its". Then said it seems to me that some preachers are compromising with "winds of doctrines." Noting from Revelation 2:6 and 15, Jesus found the doctrines of the Nicolaitans confusing in two of these churches.

That sect of religion was founded by and named after Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch. He expressed outspokenly his hate of this confusing factor in the church he loved. If this gospel brings a remittance or remission sin the simplest expression of it will be that it dispossesses one of the elements of sin. "Knowing this that our old man is crucified that the body of sin might be destroyed". (Romans 6:6.)

It was Paul who said to the church, "Be ye no more children tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine." (Eph. 4:14.) We hear the voice of God, our Father, falling from the cloud on the mount of transfiguration, "This is my beloved Son, hear ye him." (Luke 9:35.) These measures, when applied, will remove the different colors from the great bunch of threads. Why will some clamor, and class of men as large and small, and be found guilty under the convicting words of Matthew 25:40-45?

"Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John and perceived that they were ignorant and unlearned men, they took knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus." (Acts 4:13.) There are pastorless churches over our land letting God's approved man stand by idle. "The bundle of colors" says he knows too much of our vices, "let us have one from a distance."

Brother pastors, I think the time is ripe to begin cleansing the lintels with a gospel of strength and power. Paul said "Finally, brethren, be ye all of one mind and of one accord."

The time for repentance is here. "Repent and believe the gospel." Some may fool man for a while, but who will exalt himself to fool God, who knows our every work? "I know thy works said the Master."

Some did not like Jesus. Can it be said that He stood in the way of anyone?

He it was who said, "It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master." "He came unto his own and his own received him not."

Where there are so many colors in the bunch, it is not His will, but ours. "What God hath cleansed call thou not unclean." I offer the last command, "Repentance toward God and Faith in Christ" as the message for remission of sin.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

By REV. R. A. EDDLEMAN

Forty-six were added to the church at Water Valley in the revival just closed. One-half by baptism.

Pastor Hewitt of Jackson is being assisted in a revival at the First church of Jackson, by Rev. Zeno Wall, pastor at Clinton.

Brother A. E. Lucas who has been a student in Mississippi College, gives up his school work to locate with his churches, making Edinburg his home.

Pastor W. M. Bostick resigns at Winona to accept a call to Bellevue in Memphis. We shall grieve to give him up in Mississippi, where he has done good work, but congratulate Tennessee brethren.

Miss Margaret Lackey has just received word from the publishers that the book, "Laborers Together" will be ready for distribution March the 21st.

Dr. H. F. Sproles, a prominent physician of Vicksburg and son of the late H. F. Sproles, D.D., died last week at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. W. Provine. He was in the prime of life and apparently at the beginning of his usefulness.

Pastor A. A. Stanley asks that prayers be offered for the meeting in the First church, Grenada, beginning April the 3rd. He will be assisted by Dr. R. L. Motley of Florence, Alabama.

Pastor N. A. Edmonds goes from Picayune to Carthage, taking the field formerly occupied by Dr. R. B. Gunter, including the churches at Lena and Walnut Grove. Brother Edmonds is close to the place where he discovered America.

Dr. W. C. Tyree, resigns at Greenwood to return to North Carolina.

Pastor S. G. Pope, of Belzoni, says they counted the members present Sunday morning and found more than fifty per cent present in spite of smallpox in town and the fact that the services are being held temporarily in the school building.

Glad to report that Pastor H. H. Webb of Poplarville is recovering after a successful operation for appendicitis.

On Sunday night at a meeting of all the B.Y.P.U.'s in Clinton church, Earnest Douglas was elected president to succeed Robert Gandy. The retiring president has brought the Unions up to a high standard, and his successor is able to maintain it.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by
BRACEY CAMPBELL
Lesson for April 7th.

JESUS AND HIS FRIENDS

I. Little Children. Mark 10:13-16.

Mark really says, "They kept on bringing little children . . . the disciples kept on rebuking them". From the account it looks as though the parents began bringing their children without suggestion from anybody, just thought their children would be benefitted by having Jesus take notice of them and pray for them. See His estimate of them: "To such belongeth the kingdom of God." No wonder He loved them and wanted them for His friends. He who makes friends of little children usually makes lifelong friends. And the parents who aid in making their children friendly to Jesus thereby confer upon them a blessing inestimable.

II. Common Men. John 1:38-45.

There was nothing extraordinary in the appearance of these men as first they came to Jesus. They were men of the common lot, just ordinary men; yet the Jesus who loved and loves little children and takes them into the sacred circle of friendship, takes also these rugged members of the masses. "What is there in common between these men and the Savior and Friend of innocent children?" Only that as He had been a little child Himself and had known all of childhood's joys and griefs, so was He also a son of toil, who knew the need of the toiling heart and could experience the floods of joy in the soul of a strong knight of labor who had opened his heart to God.

There appears to me to be very little of rest and refreshment in the world for the working man now. We hear of turmoil in the ranks of labor, of quarrels among them and with their employees, quarrels which, however they terminate, seem to bring no lasting peace to anybody. All the while there is waiting till men shall notice Him, the one friend who can bring contentment to any troubled heart, and a calm to any storm-tossed soul.

III. Women of Every Station. Luke 8:1-3; John 4:6, 7.

Here in the passage from Luke 8, we have the first notice of the WMU. It keeps up and seeks to extend the work that these women of the days of His flesh began to do for the Lord. This group was of various composition. I suppose the tongue of ignorance will continue to blacken the name of Mary Magdalene till the Lord comes back. (After I write the foregoing sentence, I looked up the word "Magdalene" in the greatest of all English dictionaries, and read this: "A reformed prostitute"). There is not a syllable in the account of her anywhere to give the impression that Mary of Magdala was an immoral woman, but the injudicious have for so long used the name of her native village as a synonym for sexual promiscuity as to determine its usage for that purpose. Mary had been a victim of demon possession. Others of the group had been victims of other afflictions—all had been saved by Jesus; and all were grateful to Him.

In the case of the Woman of Sa-

Ex-Chaplain Hogan Accepts Two Churches

The coming of D. A. Hogan as pastor at Harperville and Walnut Grove is received with pleasure by these two good churches. The pastor's home at Harperville had been prepared for Rev. and Mrs. Hogan and their young son, with a pantry full of good things a hot buffet supper. The house has been completely redecorated and all the modern comforts installed, including butane gas, newly finished floors, tiled kitchen and bath. All that can add to the comfort of the pastor and this family had been done. Commenting on what he notices after three years' absence in the war, the new pastor says:

"I discovered that there has been a very decided improvement in our Baptist work during my three years' absence from it. Our Churches seem to have plenty of money and are building lots of better Church Houses and parsonages, and better still they are putting much more money into denominational causes. I find also that Baptists are becoming better trained. Stewardship and tithing are being preached and taught and our people are responding in a great way.

The increase in interest in all the work on the field is bringing happiness to the Hogan family, as they look forward to a good term of service on the new field where they arrived February 28, 1946.

maria, we do have an example of the fallen woman restored by Jesus. Her life was morally irregular, and in the passage from John, we have the account of her cleansing and becoming a personal worker for the Lord, so effective in her activities as to turn a whole village to attendance upon her Savior, and many of them to faith in Him. This Samaritan stands at the lower end of the social scale, where we find Jesus standing beside her and speaking to her the chaste, true words in the variety of which she walks out of her former vicious character into that of a child of God.

So we see our Lord in His character of friend of womanhood in all its strata, of savior of all feminine life, whatever the form of its need may take, of employer of all feminine abilities of whatever kind, to the enhancement of the Father's glory and the advancement of His kingdom.

IV. Outrageously Wicked Men. Luke 15:1, 2.

So these were by the standards of their times. The standard makers had declared the publicans and sinners, social outcasts and reprobates. Our Lord received them to Himself, took them into the circle of His friends, that He might rid them of their wickedness, cleanse them of their moral and intellectual and spiritual filth and make them meat for the inheritance of the saints of light. He can and will take any man of any color or kind and make him over, as he made Simon into the rock-man.

V. Wise and Wealthy Men. John 3:1, 2; Mark 15:43.

Nicodemus was a learned man, likely, I think, the president of the rabbinical college in Jerusalem. Perhaps it was the scholar's caution, the scholar's timidity, which led Nicodemus to seek Jesus out at night. I would rather think it was Nicodemus' desire to see and talk to Jesus alone, where they could converse without interruption on themes too profound for the laic mind. If the wise men looked for a conversationalist worthy

VATICAN EMBASSY COST U. S. TAXPAYERS \$40,000 IN PAST TWELVE MONTHS

By LOUIE D. NEWTON

Washington and Vatican City appear to be drawing closer together, at increased cost to U. S. taxpayers, through clever maneuvering of the State Department to justify violation of the Constitution, and delayed announcement of Taylor's latest papal decoration.

One year ago, I asked Senator Walter F. George, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, for a statement of the amount of money which the State Department had spent on the U. S. Embassy at the Vatican since Mr. Roosevelt's appointment of Mr. Myron C. Taylor as his "personal representative" to the Vatican.

Under date of April 23, 1945, Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., stated:

"Since Mr. Taylor's appointment (December, 1939) the average annual cost to this government for his travel expenses, allowances and staff has been \$12,962. At the present time there are two Foreign Service officers, a secretary, a code clerk and two stenographers assigned to Mr. Taylor's staff"

According to this statement by Mr. Stettinius, our Government had paid out a total of \$64,810 on the U. S. Embassy at the Vatican from December 1939, to April 1, 1945.

On March 13, 1946, Senator George wrote:

"I am advised by Mr. H. M. Kurth, Director Office of Budget and Finance, State Department, that the obligations for the period April 1, 1945, through March 31, 1946, in connection with the mission of Myron C. Taylor, Personnel Representative of the President to the Vatican, were in the amount of approximately \$40,000. He further advises that Mr. Taylor receives no salary for the performance of his duties and the amount cited is for the travel expenses of Mr. Taylor and the salary and expenses of the staff assigned to assist him."

Under date of March 8, 1946, I wrote Senator George, as follows:

"Please look at Act of Congress, reported in Congressional Globe, 39th Congress, second Session (Vol. 37 pp. 850-51, 882-86, 890) which Act provides that, 'No money hereby or otherwise appropriated shall be paid for the support of an American Legation at Rome (the Vatican), from and after the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven,' and tell me how the Government can continue to pay out public monies for the support of the U. S. Embassy at the Vatican without the consent and approval of Congress."

Francis H. Russell, Chief Division of Public Liaison, Department of State, replying to a resolution adopted by the Georgia Baptist Convention, November

of his attention, he was not disappointed. The two became friends.

Joseph of Arimathea stands always for the wealthy friend. He was wealthy not only and a friend not only, but he was also willing to devote a portion of his wealth to the service of his friend. Joseph had no doubt accepted Jesus as Lord, and so accepting Him, had enthroned Him as Lord of all himself and his. We think of Joseph as a man of advanced age, who had prepared his tomb against the day of his burial. He stands at one end of the list of friends and childhood at the other.

Chaplains Available For Pastorates

Below we list the names and addresses of several chaplains who are now available for pastorates.

Willis H. Kimsey, Jr., 30, Demorest, Georgia.

Joseph L. Jolly, 32, Cox's Creek, Kentucky.

Henry O. Hearn, 53, Box 1902, College Station, Fredericksburg, Va.

Leon O. Henry, 36, Box 1153, Seminary Hills, Texas.

W. E. Grindstaff, 34, Shattuck, Okla.

Harry H. Gregory, Rt. 1, Pauline, S. C.

Harry Lee Green, 50, Scottsville, Ky.

David L. Goodman, 49, Jonesboro, La., Box 113.

Charles W. Fogleman, 28, Pollock, La.

Magnus V. Gonnissen, 32, 1045 So. Roma, Hawthorne, California.

Earl L. Landtroop, 47, Idalou, Texas.

George Alexander Jones, 26, Bardstown Junction, Kentucky.

James L. Elder, 28, Box 32, Lyndon, Kentucky.

Lays Frink, 44, Titusville, Florida.

Wiley R. Deal, 304 Partridge Drive, Columbia 58, South Carolina.

James H. Dean, 29, Abilene, Texas.

Ellis B. Evans, 42, Ingleside Baptist Church, Shreveport, La.

Albert W. Coates, 53, 1 C Auburn Court, Alexandria, Va.

Herman L. Driskell, 58, 3911 Spurgeon Drive, Monroe, La.

James R. Shuman, 47, 3430 Wilmet Avenue, Columbia 34, S. C.

Nelson J. Engelbrecht, 31, Keytesville, Missouri.

Fred H. Farris, 45, 1824 E. Broadway, Sedalia, Missouri.

Jack R. DeVore, 41, Pinchneyville, Ill.

Ernest Dell Bateman, 43, Box 3205, Istrouma Branch, Baton Rouge, La.

John R. Canning, 35, Bogard, Missouri.

—BR—

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(RNS)—Col.

Patrick J. Ryan, a native of Litchfield, Minn., has been appointed new deputy chief of Army chaplains, succeeding Brig. Gen. William D. Cleary, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who goes on terminal leave April 1, it was announced by the War Department here. Chaplain Ryan, formerly was stationed at Walter Reed General Hospital here.

He is a Roman Catholic.

ber 13, 1945, urging President Truman to immediately terminate Mr. Taylor's appointment and the U. S. Embassy at the Vatican wrote in February:

"In reply, let me assure you that the Department of State is zealous in defending the American tradition of the separation of church and state and that it would be the first to deplore any political-religious alliance. . . . The Vatican is a temporal state of which the pope is the reigning sovereign, and relations with it do not signify recognition of a religion but of an independent temporal state whose ruler happens also to be a religious leader"

Quite interesting is the following story in the New York Times, under a Vatican City dateline, March 11, 1946:

"Myron C. Taylor, the President's personal representative to the Vatican, has been a papal nobleman since June 2, it is revealed in the latest issue of Acta Apostolicae Sedis just published."

"Though Taylor on that date received the Grand Cross of the Order of Pius, carrying with it the hereditary status of a papal nobleman the announcement was withheld, according to Vatican circles, lest it be interpreted as a gesture of farewell at a time when they hoped Taylor would return to Rome."

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GREETINGS:

The Navy finally said, "Yes, you may go," so I'm glad to be back in Mississippi. I'm happy over the prospect of serving the denomination and, more especially, the Baptist students of our state.

Let us, above all else, let Christ have the pre-eminent place in our work.

SPRING RETREAT

The Statewide Spring Retreat is scheduled for April 26-27 at East Central Junior College, Decatur, Mississippi. Plan to go. This is an extremely important meeting for at least two reasons. First, newly-elected local council members will learn much about their jobs at this meeting, and, secondly, the state officers will be elected. In addition, all of us need the spiritual invigoration which should be found at the Retreat.

Write Pastor W. A. Hogan, Decatur, Mississippi, right away if you want a place to stay while there. Pray for this meeting. The Baptist Record will carry more about it later.

I NEED

A list of the members of the new BSU Council at your school. Each Council appoint some member to send us this list, please.

PEREGRINATIONS

Met with Belhaven Council last week. Good plans made for election of officers, for local retreat, installation banquet.

Don't count on seeing people in Clinton on Mondays — practically no classes are held then.

SPRING RETREAT MEETS AT DECATUR

The annual spring retreat of the Mississippi Baptist Student Union will be held April 26-27 at East Central Junior College, Decatur. The announcement is made by Dot Lee Jefferson, student at Blue Mountain College and state B.S.U. president.

The retreat is especially for new officers on B.S.U. Councils in Mississippi colleges. Present for the meeting will be Charles W. Horner who has recently assumed his duties as State Student Secretary of B. S. U.

State officers for the coming year will be elected at this time.

OFFICE HOURS

Miss Daunie Jean Smith will be in the office from one-thirty to four-thirty, Monday through Friday afternoons. We are delighted to have her with us and are sure that she will be of great help, not only in a secretarial way but to the BSU work in general. I hope to be in the office some every week. Drop by to see us for a confab, for BSU literature, or simply to rest. You may learn of my whereabouts by calling Jackson 2-1600 anytime from eight to four-thirty Monday through Friday and between eight and twelve noon on Saturdays.

Dr. W. A. Bell, pastor, Parkway Church, Jackson, is to be with First Church, Pascagoula, in a meeting April 29-May 5.

Worthy Fellowship Offering Urged This Month

By REV. W. E. HARDY

Aged Ministers' Relief Committee

For several years The Baptists of Mississippi have been asked to "Remember the Veterans of the Cross" in April when they observe the Lord's Supper. "A Fellowship Offering." I hope that every Baptist Church in our state will do that this year.

There were twenty-six ministers and twenty-six widows who made up the "Roll of Beneficiaries" last year. The maximum grants were \$12 each to the ministers and eight dollars each to the widows per month. The funds for this purpose came from the Cooperative Program and from the Fellowship Offerings. The funds are coming in better from the Cooperative Program, as that should be, but it remains to be seen what the "offerings" will be.

Suppose your only income were as that mentioned for these worthy "Veterans of the Cross", with the present high cost of living could you live as you now do? Are you willing that we should let them live their last days on earth with such a small means of livelihood?

"Make your offerings according to your income or the Lord may make your income according to your offering." Your committee urges every one to remember this worthy cause in a worthy manner.

—BR—

Wake Forest College Offered Millions By Reynolds

Wake Forest, N. C.—(SBPA)—Wake Forest College, 112-year-old Baptist institution, has been offered more than \$16,000,000 by the Reynolds Foundation of North Carolina on condition the school move to Winston Salem where the Baptist medical school and hospital are now located. The announcement has been made by John Oates of Fayetteville, N. C., president of the Wake Forest Board. Under the proposed plan, the Foundation net income of \$235,000 annually would be pledged to the school. As the Foundation grows the net income is expected to reach \$350,000 annually.

Final decision on accepting the gift will be made by the North Carolina Baptist Convention, meeting in November.

—BR—

The Bogue Chitto Choctaw Indian church, in the New Choctaw Association, has reported a revival effort recently in which they held services three times daily Saturday and Sunday, with attendance from 50 to 85 recorded. E. W. Willis is pastor. The following assisted in preparation for the crusade: Joe Morris, Ellen Beall, William Jackson, Frances Hickman, Oneva Thompson and Mrs. Jimmie Thompson. One girl was baptized. According to the workers, the need for evangelism is very great as they found not half the Indians were Christians.

—BR—

In Fascist Italy, a certain Protestant pastor was imprisoned for four years under then existing restrictive legislation, the official charge against him being "Incorrigibility in evangelism!" Let us all try to get some of that same incorrigibility.—Robbins W. Barstow.

A CATECHISM OF BIBLE TEACHING

By

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This Catechism may be purchased from the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., or from the Baptist Book Store for five cents a copy.

(Continued from Last Week:)

LESSON XI. Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

1. Who ought to be baptized? Every believer in Christ ought to be baptized.

2. Why ought every believer in Christ to be baptized? Because Christ has commanded us to declare our faith in him by being baptized. Matt. 28:19; Acts 8:12; 10:48.

3. What is the action performed in Christian baptism? The action performed in Christian baptism is immersion in water. Mark 1:9, 10; Acts 8:39.

4. What does this signify? The water signifies purification from sin, and the immersion signifies that we are dead in sin, and like Christ have been buried and risen again. Acts 22:16; Rom. 6:4.

5. Does baptism procure forgiveness or the new birth? No, baptism only represents regeneration and forgiveness like a picture. John 3:5; Acts 2:28.

6. What is meant by our being baptized "in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"? It means that we take God the Father, the Son, and the Spirit as our Sovereign and Saviour. Matt. 28:19.

7. What is the solemn duty of all

DR. STEWART TO SPEAK AT CLINTON

Dr. James Stewart, pastor of the Broadway Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky will preach at the Clinton Church on Sunday night, April 7 at 7:30 p. m. Dr. Stewart, who came to the United States from Ireland, is such in demand throughout the South as a speaker to Youth and College groups. Dr. Stewart was formerly pastor at Clarksdale, and West Point.

—BR—

Rev. James B. Ray, new pastor at West Corinth Church, says that the spirit of the church is marvelous. The auditorium is packed for both services on Sunday and more than 100 attend prayer meeting. During the past three weeks there have been ten additions, one a 79 year old man for baptism.

who have been baptized? It is the duty of all who have been baptized to live that new life of purity and obedience which their baptism signifies. Rom. 6:4.

8. What is the Lord's Supper? A church observes the Lord's Supper by eating bread and drinking wine to represent the body and blood of our Saviour. 1 Cor. 11:20, 26.

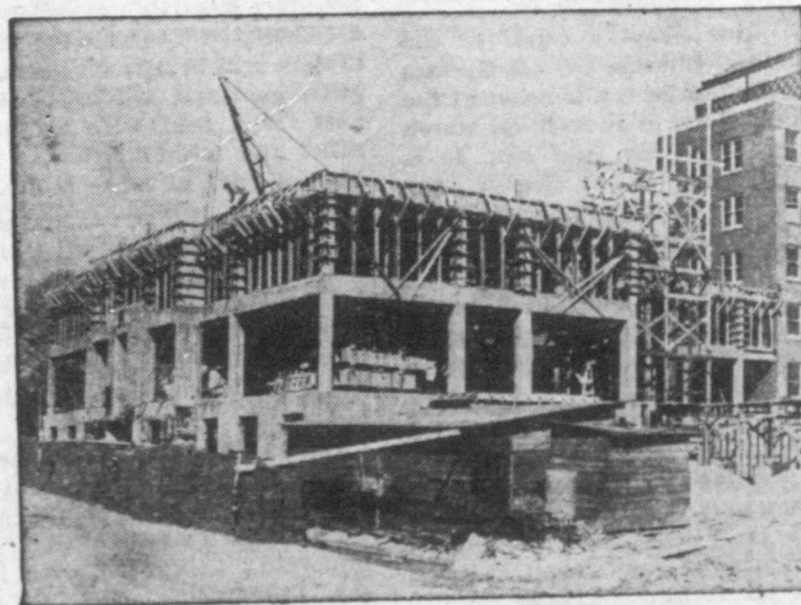
9. Why ought the bread and wine to be thus taken? Because Christ has commanded us to eat bread and drink wine in remembrance of him. Luke 22:19.

10. Who ought to partake of the Lord's Supper? Those ought to partake of the Lord's Supper who have believed in Christ, and have been baptized, and are trying to live in obedience to Christ's commands.

"Heal The Sick" --- Matt. 10:8

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Jackson, Mississippi

White Oak Baptist Church



Miss Anna Woodruff of Courtland Church recently sent an EVERY FAMILY subscription list which includes every home in that church. Rev. Claude Howe is pastor.

Coffeeville Church went over the top with its offering for the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign. The quota was \$550 and on March 31st when Dr. R. B. Gunter spoke for them, the total raised including a previous offering was \$773.

Mrs. James R. Goff of Lucedale recently sent a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions.

We appreciate receiving recently a copy of the Annual of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. The 1945 Convention met with the First Church, Little Rock, November 20-22.

The Young People's Choir of the First Baptist Church, Crystal Springs was entertained with a banquet at the Heidelberg Hotel in Jackson on March 28 as guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Harrell, members of the church. The principal speaker was Mr. E. N. Elsey, of the Music Department of Mississippi College.

Rev. A. A. Ward, Associational missionary for Union County has recently bought and occupied a new home at New Albany.

"School of Providence" is scheduled to be shown in Poplarville on April 10, 1946. This is a sound-and-motion picture descriptive of our Baptist Bible Institute, and the school and missionary activities of faculty and students in and about New Orleans.

Construction At Baptist Hospital About One-Third Complete

The 100-bed addition to the Mississippi Baptist Hospital is approximately thirty per cent complete, according to a statement recently issued by J. M. Spain, architect. Mr. Spain also stated that the building program was running several weeks behind schedule due to the abnormal amount

of rainy weather.

Rev. D. W. Moulder has been pastor of White Oak Church (Smith County) for 41 years. Above is a picture of the recently completed church building valued at \$15,000 and there is no debt. Concrete walks have been laid and the yard sodded.

At the last Sunday service there were 85 adults present in addition to the children. The Sunday School attendance was 86 and the morning offering \$91.

Pastor Moulder states that White Oak sends the Baptist Record to all its 52 resident families.

The Administrative Committee of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention will recommend to a joint meeting of the Executive Committee and the state mission secretaries and editors at the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami a \$12,000,000 program for 1947. Five million will be the Co-operative Program goal and \$7,000,000 will be the goal for a Southwide campaigns for relief and rehabilitation of Southern Baptist work at home and abroad.

Robert L. Babb, liberated Negro slave, died in Evansville, Ind., last week at the age of 99. In his will was a provision for \$2,246.00 for the Liberty Baptist Church of Evansville. The former slave has worked for 50 years in Evansville as a gardener and houseman.

Daniel Webster was once asked, "What is the most important thought you ever entertained?" He replied after a moment's reflection. "The most important thought I ever had was my individual responsibility to God."

of rainy weather.

The addition now under construction will increase the number of hospital beds available at the Baptist Hospital from 185 to almost 300. These additional facilities will greatly enlarge the opportunity for service by the Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

Laurel: Dr. Mark Harris of Speedway Terrace Church, Memphis, assisted pastor H. J. Rushing in the revival last week at West Laurel Church. The song leader was Rev. Oliver Pittman of Levi Church, Memphis. There were 41 additions, 34 of whom are candidates for baptism.

The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: William Hugh Roberson, Leslie Webb Roberson, and Rev. Homer Roberson, Vicksburg; Rev. H. D. Booth, De Soto; Rev. O. C. Chance, Braxton; Rev. S. D. Simmons, Tylertown; E. O. Davis, Columbia; Dr. Henry T. Brookshire, Gulfport; Rev. Jack J. Cranford, Raleigh; Rev. Fred B. Bookter, McComb; Rev. Kenneth G. Hall, Philadelphia; Donald P. Dunn, Magnolia; Rev. J. A. Terrell, McComb; Dr. B. B. Hilbun, Laurel; Rev. H. J. Rushing, Laurel; Rev. A. H. Childress, Coffeeville; Mrs. Madison Flowers, Goodman; Mrs. H. P. Tyler, Goodman; Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, Meridian; H. L. White, Biloxi; Miss Rose Ellen Goodrich, Blue Mountain; Rev. James W. Parrish, Laurel; Rev. R. L. Holmes, Chamblee, Georgia; Rev. C. M. Day, Durant; Rev. A. B. Jones, Potts Camp; Walter E. Price, Clinton; Dr. Bryan Simmons, Heidelberg.

Rev. John E. Barnes, pastor, Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, is conducting revival services (April 1-7) with Rev. J. M. Garner at First Church, Nederland, Texas. Dr. P. I. Lipsey of Clinton will speak at Main Street Church for both morning and evening services on April 7.

Rev. William S. Dixon, Baptist General Evangelist of Dallas, Texas reports a busy schedule of engagements for this year with meetings in several States. This is his twenty-fifth year in revival meetings which activity has extended all over the nation. He continues to serve pastors anywhere, in any state in the Southland. His address is First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas.



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The Young People's Better Speaking emphasis has grown in popularity during the last few years. At the Ridgecrest assembly it is one of the outstanding features. In our State Training Union Convention it is also a popular feature, and even more so since the two scholarships are being awarded. The young lady who wins first place among the young lady speakers in our state speakers tournament is awarded a \$100.00 scholarship by Blue Mountain College, and the young man who wins first place among the young men speakers is awarded a \$100.00 scholarship by Mississippi College. In addition to this the first place speaker in the convention has the privilege of representing Mississippi in the Speakers Tournament at Ridgecrest. This year Miss Elizabeth Smith of Blue Mountain will represent Mississippi at Ridgecrest. The speakers tournament is divided into three parts, six or seven states being represented

on the program each of the three weeks. Mississippi will be represented the second week or the week of July 18. (The assemblies begin on Thursday). Each Association should have the speakers tournament, send the winner there to the District Convention, the winner there will represent the district in the State Convention December 27th. Let every church be represented at the Associational elimination contest.

DR. DOUGLAS HUDGINS TAKES UP HIS WORK AS PASTOR OF FIRST CHURCH, JACKSON

Dr. Douglas Hudgins has just begun the pastorate of First Baptist Church Jackson and our Training Union forces welcome him most heartily. Dr. Hudgins appreciates the value of Training Union and will lead in making the present splendid union of First Church an even better union. We appreciate a word from Dr. T. C. Gardner, Training Union Director of Texas, as he writes regarding Dr. Hudgins: "He had a great Training Union Revival in his church, First Houston, recently, with an enrollment goal adopted for this year of '1006 in '46'. The church is averaging attendance of approximately 550. 550 for First Jackson will put them in the attendance lead in Mississippi UNLESS some other church wakes up to such a challenge and goes beyond that figure. We believe SOME church will be having an average attendance of 550 before too long!"

FIRST, BILOXI TRAINING UNION NEWS

We have recently received the First Biloxi bulletin and give here the first paragraph: "The Executive Committee of the Training Union met in January and made up the calendar of activities for 1946. Highlights of Activities planned are: February Valentine Banquet February 8th; March, Study Courses March 18-22; May, Christian Home Week, 5-12; June 10th, District Tr. Union Convention, First Gulfport; July, Ridgecrest Assembly; August, Youth Week 4-10; September, Promotion and re-organization; October, Installation; December, Caroling, 23, State Tr. Union Convention 27, Watch Night 31. This should be helpful to other unions in setting up their calendar for the year. Let pastor meet with the committee so all plans can be made to conform to his plans.

From Brother James J. Horton comes the word that the Union church in Lincoln Co., has recently added to their Training Union an Adult union and Story Hour. "Much interest is be-

Christian Home Radio Programs Are Available
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Dr. Walter P. Binns, president, William Jewell College, and Dr. T. F. Adams, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Richmond, Virginia, are the speakers in two series of six 15-minute transcribed radio programs available for broadcast over your local radio station during Christian Home Week, May 5-11.

Dr. Binns brings to this new series on the Christian Home his experience as successful pastor, college president and conference leader on marriage and home for college youth at Ridgecrest assembly.

Dr. Adams, popular speaker and recognized authority on the home, has been heard over more than one hundred stations in this series of transcribed programs.

Since radio offers an effective way of reaching and blessing many homes not under the influence of church

and Bible school, you will doubtless want to join others in arranging for one of these series to broadcast over your local station during that week. If local minister groups, associational Sunday school groups and executive committees will approach the management of the local radio station now before their schedule is filled for the week of May 5-11, doubtless arrangements can be made for the broadcasting of one of these series on the Christian Home. Early decision on this will also enable the radio committee to supply the records for the broadcast.

This is a cooperative matter and the radio committee stands ready to cooperate in this undertaking. Address: The Radio Committee, S. B. C. S. F. Lowe, Director, 427½ Moreland Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

Woodville Installs Memorial Organ

The Woodville Church has just installed one of the latest Hammond Organs. This organ was given to the Church by a consecrated deacon and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Enloe M. Kee, in memory of their son, Thomas Lyman Kee, who gave his life in the service of his country.

Lyman was one of the outstanding young men of the community, a splendid Christian character and was loved by all who knew him. It is indeed comforting to realize that Lyman still serves his church and community through this organ, that he still inspires many to worship God in a reverent spirit. "In Loving Memory" are not idle words for that is the way we all shall ever remember him.

ing shown in our Training Union" writes Brother Horton

Mrs. Bryan Hudgins reports that the Berea Church, Attala Co. is organizing a Training Union. The asked for duties of the officers, saying they want to start off right. They expect to have course for the unions as soon as arrangements can be made.

PHILADELPHIA AVERAGES 138 IN TRAINING SCHOOL

Pastor Johnson reports that the Training School and Enlargement Campaign conducted the week of March 17-21 was the best, as far as attendance is concerned, they have had. It proved to be a week of ideal weather conditions, and each afternoon a great group of Juniors met Miss soon a great group of Juniors met Miss Maude Evelyn Farrar of First Church, Tupelo. They averaged 55 in attendance. The adults came next in attendance with an average of 38 with Secretary Auber J. Wilds leading; Intermediates had an average of more than 20, the Young People with about 15, Rev. and Mrs. Kermit Canterbury of Paynes serving as teachers of these groups respectively. There were six in the Junior Leadership Manual taught by Miss Farrar. Delightful refreshments were served each evening. All in all it was a very satisfactory program of promotion.

The Iuka G. A.'s have an enrollment of 13 with an average attendance of ten. Their home mission offering amounted to \$10.—Mrs. J. D. Finch, counselor.

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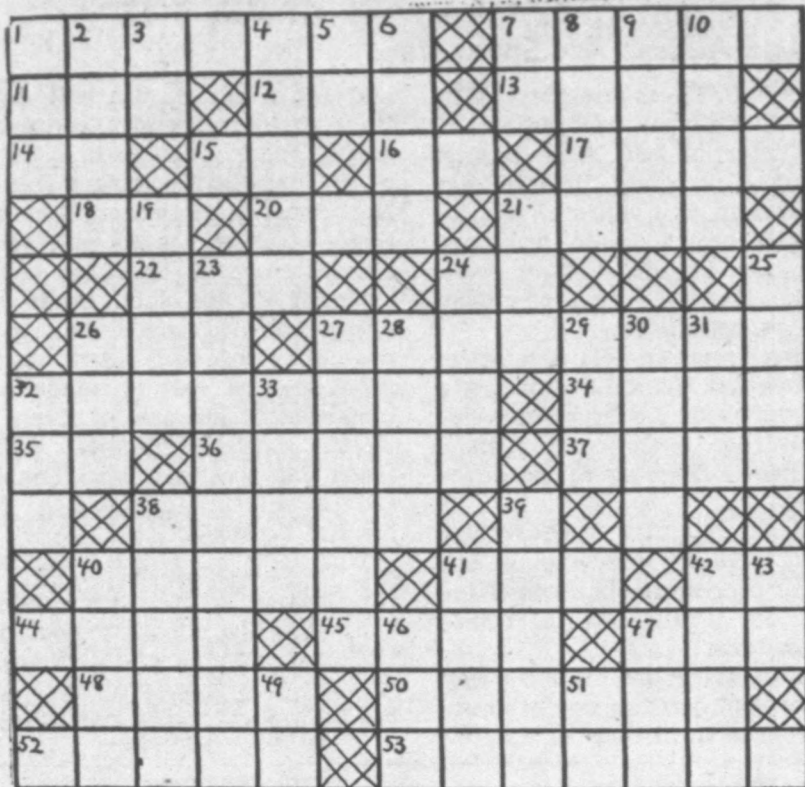
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ACROSS

- 1 Through faith Abraham almost . . .
7 across; a ram took his place.
11 His son Jacob deceived him
12 "Samuel arose . . . went to Eli"
13 "he shall be lent to . . . Lord"
14 "neither was the . . . of the Lord yet revealed unto him"
15 Part of the Bible
16 State; note
17 "I did but taste a little honey," said Jonathan, "and, . . . I must die."
18 River in Europe
19 "smooth stones out . . . the brook"
20 "and . . . ark of God is taken"
21 "That the . . . called Samuel"
22 Eli can be seen in this deception
23 Mother
24 "Now Eli . . . very old"
25 "my soul was . . . in thine eyes"
26 Autocrat; Roman cot (anag.)
27 King of Israel 1 Kings 16:23
28 "My heart rejoiceth . . . the Lord"
29 "it came to pass in . . . days"
30 "and the . . . were not expired"
31 "then he shall . . . his head"
32 "And he worshipped the Lord . . ."
33 "but her voice . . . not heard"
34 "it is . . . good report that I hear"
35 Lot lived here Gen. 19:23
36 Indian millet; raid (anag.)
37 "Wherefore the . . . of the young men was very great"
38 "O Lord . . . thou my lips"
39 "Samuel feared to shew Eli the . . ."
40 "The Lord . . . thee, and keep thee"
41 "The . . . God is thy refuge"
Our Text from Samuel is 11, 12, 13, 18, 20, 21, 26, 27, 35, 36, 37, 40, 41, 42, 48,

and 50 combined.

DOWN

- 1 "there came a . . . of God unto Eli"
2 "he will give you . . . our hands"
3 Northwestern 4 down
4 "the last . . . of that man is worse than the first"
5 Expression of inquiry
6 Erase
7 Isle of Wight
8 Passable
9 The sandarac tree; on the way to Ararat
10 Babylonian god; repeated notice
11 Cake with special filling
12 Resinous substance
13 Certain lines on the earth's surface; tie horses (anag.)
14 "with what measure ye . . ."
15 Egyptian goddess
16 David . . . when he fought Goliath with a sling and stones
17 "for I have not . . . them."
18 " . . . it, even to the foundation thereof"
19 Containing iodine
20 Grandson of Esau; roam (anag.)
21 The needlebush (Australia)
22 Middle
23 Burn
24 "descended in a bodily . . ."
25 "I will . . . up against you a nation"
26 "if thou lift up thy . . . upon it, thou hast polluted it"
27 The Bible is "Holy . . ."
28 Feminine name
29 "And the child Samuel grew . . ."
30 Salutation
31 "he had a . . . whose name was Saul"
32 Canadian province
33 A Benjamite 1 Chron. 7:12.

(Answers on Page Fifteen)
—BR—

County Line Church
Happy Over Progress

Pastor William Potter is enthusiastic over the progress being made at County Line church in Attala county. He says the "folks are the salt of the earth" and relates some of the achievements since last fall to prove his faith in them. The church property has been completely renovated, and the Baptist Record has been placed in the budget, on the Every Family Plan. At a business meeting last week, the church voted to send 10% of the offerings to the work around the world, through the co-operative program. The missionary spirit is growing. Cecil Smith has been selected as a new deacon. The mem-

Blue Mt. Summer Schedule To Begin June 5
BOTH MEN AND WOMEN TO BE ADMITTED

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., March 28—The Blue Mountain College summer session will begin June 5, and run through August 16. The second term will begin July 11. Registration day is June 5. The first assembly will be held in the Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium June 6 at 8 a. m.

Both men and women students are admitted during the summer session. Women only, however, are admitted to the dormitories on the college campus.

The personnel of the faculty follows: Lawrence T. Lowrey, Ph.D., president and director; Mrs. J. B. Leavell, dean of women; Ernest H. Cox, Ph. D., dean

and professor of English; Annie Hendricks, B.A., registrar; Alonzo M. Donnell, M.A., chemistry; Franklin T. Walker, Ph.D., English; Linda Berry, B.M., M.A., voice, public school music; Lucy Hutchins, Ph.D., Latin; Elizabeth Hutchins, M.A., Spanish; Eula Dees, A.M., social science; Elizabeth Purser, B.A., B.L.I., B.E., speech arts; C. J. Smyly, Th.M., Bible; Lucy Lamb, B.A., librarian; Ruby Akers, B.A., English; J. G. Bridges, A.M., social science; Aliene Johnson, M.A., English; J. E. Buchanan, Jr., B.S., business manager; Mrs. Ethel Lindley, education; Thos. P. Stephens, M.A., education.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

(Continued from Page Three)

him, he was so proud he wouldn't have taken it off if it had been twice as heavy.

They told me his father had worn one proudly and died fighting for the Americans as a native guide, when the Army and Navy came back to Guam.

But what was this they were talking about so excitedly? It was pennies and nickels and dimes they were carrying; and one had a whole silver dollar, that must have looked as big as a wagon wheel to him. They had earned it all themselves, bringing coconuts and bananas to the tents of the American soldiers and sailors.

Could it be that these poor, ragged, brown little children on far away Guam were going to — yes, as they began to sing, I was sure. For though I couldn't understand a word, I knew every word they were singing. It was the same tune I had sung years ago back in America, about little children just like these across the sea:

"Red and yellow, black and white,
They are precious in His sight;
Jesus loves the little children of the world."

And down upon the rough metal table, that may have been saved from a bomber that flew over Tokyo, went their offering for the children across the sea! But wait! What country was that they said? These offerings were going to Japan!

In a flash I saw the graves of parents and loved ones, and remembered the agony and suffering these little ones had endured at the hand of the enemy. When I was told that the boy with the silver dollar had seen both father and mother killed by the enemy soldiers, I glanced again at the altar.

And there through the tears that filled my eyes I saw the silver dollar shining brightly on the offering table for JAPAN. It seemed to grow larger and larger until it looked much bigger than a wagon wheel to me. The little boy who had suffered so much, had given his dearest possession for the CAUSE OF CHRIST IN JAPAN.

I could almost hear a voice from heaven, "Love thine enemies . . ." and as I looked up to see the sun breaking through tropical clouds upon this war-torn island, HEAVEN DID SEEM VERY NEAR.

From West Salem Church in Greene county comes a good report telling of eight new converts in the last two services, and fine improvement in Sunday school work, under the leadership of Frank Smith. A.W.M.S. was recently organized with 14 members on roll. According to the reporter, Mrs. V. G. Smith, the church has many evangelistic opportunities and requests prayer in the task.

bers and pastor are happy. There were 19 professions of faith in the revival last fall.

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CLARKE COLLEGE

We recently visited Clarke College and met with the ministerial class. Rev. Cecil H. Avery is the class president. It is an inspiration to meet with these young men and see their eagerness to serve.

The purpose of our visit was to acquaint the young preachers with the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record. We were promised several EVERY FAMILY lists.

We regretted not being able to see the members of the faculty, but time, the absence of President Greene and a faculty meeting prevented.

FIRST CHURCH, PASCAGOULA

First Baptist Church of Pascagoula, Dr. L. E. Green, pastor, has just completed a modern brick home for C. R. Haire, Minister of Music and Education. The yards of the Haire home join the yards of the pastor's home and they have all been landscaped and beautified with shrubbery and flowers and trees, which make the whole setup a thing of beauty. More than \$10,000.00 has been spent on this project and no debt incurred.

A Sunday school mission was organized some months ago and today it has more than 200 enrolled and an average attendance of near 100, sometimes it goes considerably over 100. With the exception of two workers, aside from those from First Church who work there, none of these people were in Sunday school. This mission is located 2.7 miles from First Church and 1.3 miles from Watts Memorial Church—right in the south-east corner of the town.

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Lambert Has Record
Sunday School Attendance

Sunday, March 24, was a banner day at Lambert with the largest Sunday School attendance on record. At the preaching hour Sunday morning and evening the church was filled. There were three additions to the church.

A Sunday School study course was recently conducted with 126 enrolled and an average attendance of 100. Forty-one adults took the examination. The pastor taught the adults.

Miss Joyce Farmer, music director of First Church, Clarksdale, taught the young people with more than 40 enrolled. Miss Farmer has been with the Lambert Church twice, and is an inspiration not only to the youngsters, but to every one. Miss Margaret Pierce led the juniors, and Mrs. H. J. Logan the Story Hour.

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CIRCULATING LIBRARY
FOR RURAL MINISTERS

By Thomas Alfred Tripp

Vanderbilt University School of Religion has established a circulating library for rural ministers. Through a gift of \$50,000 by Dr. John Louis Kesler, professor emeritus of religious education, and an equal sum granted by the university, the service is available to rural pastors of all religious denominations in the South.

This circulating library was started in 1936 with grants by the Carnegie Corporation. Over 5,000 books have

years ago there were between 7000 and 8000 Baptists in the new section of Pascagoula who were out of touch with Sunday School and Church. That section is still crowded with people and it is safe to estimate at least 6000 Baptists are there now who are out of touch with Sunday school and church. This field is certainly "white unto harvest..." and the laborers are few. All inter-denominational and union efforts in Sunday school work in this area have practically failed. But the people respond to a straightforward Baptist program. The First Church plans to hold a revival meeting in this mission, as well as a V. B. S., sometime this summer.

Sunday school attendance at First Church is running close to capacity. In fact in some of the departments they have no room for expansion at all and are overflowing with people. Training Union is on the upgrade. The recent purchase and use of a Victor Sound Motion Picture machine has added much to the work of the church and its help is felt considerably in Training Union and Sunday school. Finances have been running high, though not quite as high as a year ago. They anticipate a decline at this point within the year. While they are having quite a few people join the church by letter, and they are of a very much more settled and dependable type than in the previous years, they are not having the professions of faith they would like to see.

Baptist Record readers in Jackson County are listed as follows: FRIENDSHIP 26, EAST MOSS POINT 76, ESCATAWPA 46, GAUTHIER 30, KREOLE 32, MOSS POINT 81, OCEAN SPRINGS 34, PACAGOULA FIRST 350, RED CREEK 19, VANCELEAVE 15, WADE 34, BEL FOUNTAINE 11, FORT BAYOU 17, WATTS MEMORIAL 97, UNITY 45, Sulphur Springs 1, EAST SIDE, PASCAGOULA 20, Pascagoula Mission 7.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING
UNION ATTENDANCE

March 31, 1946

Jackson, Parkway	524	171
Jackson, First	1,089	
Jackson, Calvary	1,273	300
Jackson, Calvary, including Stone Street Mission	1,304	
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	574	228
Daniel, Hinds County	174	71
Raleigh	275	
Harperville	111	
Mantee	135	
Cross Roads, Webster Co.	98	
Louisville	428	118
Oldtown, Calhoun County	69	
Ellison Ridge, Winston Co.	104	79
Ecu	134	34
Houlka, Chickasaw County	80	39
New Zion, Copiah County	112	67
West Corinth	172	83
Picayune, First	340	60
Pascagoula, First	516	108
Center, Union County	116	94
Bruce	185	45
Corinth, Tate Street	211	
Enon, Panola County	66	58
Wallerville	81	53
Olive Branch	73	
Hardy	88	24
West Laurel	448	131
Crystal Springs	470	119
New Albany, First	547	221
Webb	84	
Pascagoula, Eastside	80	20
Batesville	221	77
Ackerman	160	
West Point	427	103
Kreole, Friendship	100	58
Kreole, First	83	40
Hattiesburg, Main Street	625	226
Brookhaven, First	607	122
Wellman, Lincoln County	49	60
Philadelphia, Lincoln Co.	75	55
Beaumont	121	
Liberty Hill, Panola County	85	41
Greenwood, First	459	
Bryan, Hinds County	66	55
Merigold	87	
Summit	170	113
Harrisburg, Tupelo	189	57

March 24, 1946.

Enon, Panola County	87	66
Kreole, First	65	34
Decatur, Clarke-Venable	212	88
Harperville	112	
Corinth, Tate Street	193	
Harrisburg, Tupelo	217	83

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We regret that in the list of attendance for the Training Union last week that the figures for Louisville were 34 rather than 84 which was their attendance for March 24.

Sunday, March 24, was a great day at Raleigh Baptist Church. The Sunday School reported an attendance of 180, the church was filled to capacity, and 16 members were added to the church, — 14 on profession of faith and 2 by letter. On the previous Sunday, 8 had been received on profession. The pastor, Rev. Jack J. Cranford, Jr., is proving a great leader and the membership is manifesting a surprising willingness to be led. The church is now on full time, having entered upon the new program on March 1.—Mrs. J. R. Lawson, Reporter.

been purchased and 4,000 rural ministers in 34 states borrowed an average of 24 books each during the 1936-1945 period. A total of 90,000 book-loans was made.

Rural church leaders in the South may obtain the services of the circulating library by applying to the Vanderbilt University School of Religion, Nashville, Tennessee. Books will be sent postpaid. The borrower pays only the return postage. Announcements and bibliographies will be issued from time to time by an advisory committee under the sponsorship of the joint library and the school of religion.



Answer to Crossword Puzzle on Page 14.

NEW YORK—(RNS) — In a telegram to Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., U. S. representative on the UNO Security Council, Dr. Walter Van Kirk of the Federal Council of Churches and Rabbi Abron Opher of the Synagogue Council of America urged that meetings of the Security Council and other UNO sessions be opened with a period of silent prayer or meditation. The churchmen reminded Stettinius that the San Francisco Conference last April was opened in this manner.

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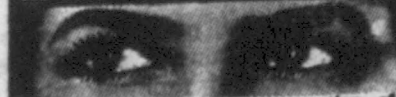
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Brother John O. Beall of Florala, Alabama, who for the last thirty-five years has ministered as a song leader for revival meetings in Baptist churches in several states, is available for engagements in Mississippi this spring and summer. He is warmly commended by Evangelist T. O. Reese, Dr. L. E. Barton and Dr. Leroy Priest, former pastor of the First Baptist Church, Dothan, Alabama.

The Kirkwood Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia, has just had a remarkable revival. In seven days time there were fifty-two additions to the church. The pastor, Dr. W. Herschel Ford, brought stirring evangelistic messages and Stanley Armstrong, 212 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta, led the singing in a superlative way.

Carthage: Our pastor was toastmaster at the recent annual banquet of the Leake County Teacher's Association. Principal speaker was the Hon. J. W. Tubb, Mississippi State Superintendent of Education. Prof. Howard Leach, member of the Carthage church, is Leake County Superintendent of Education. G. K. Richardson of Edinburgh is president of the county teacher's association.

Mrs. F. S. Wiltshire, a high school teacher, and whose address is Box 37, Mathiston, would like to make the trip to the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami with someone (preferably from North Mississippi) who will be driving in a car.

Missionaries are urgently needed NOW! If you are foreign mission volunteer, write to J. W. Marshall, Secretary of the Department of Missionary Personnel, Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Richmond 20, Virginia.

Dr. H. L. Martin reports a gracious revival at First Church, Senatobia, last week with Dr. D. A. McCall preaching with fine effect and Brother Luther A. Harrison leading the music. Despite a wave of sickness in the community the services were attended by record crowds, and 22 persons were welcomed into the church, with two to join other churches. The preaching by Dr. McCall was greatly enjoyed and the music led by Brother Harrison was truly inspiring. Mrs. Reginald Moore, Mrs. Tom Wilson and Mrs. H. L. Martin accompanied the singing with the organ and piano and four choirs — Adults, Young People, Intermediates and Juniors — assisted.

Dr. Paul G. Horner, pastor Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian, is to be the speaker for the revival meeting at First Church, Grenada, April 4-12. Rev. Stanley Armstrong of Gatlinburg, Tenn., will have charge of the music.

The Winona Lake School of Theology, Winona Lake, Indiana, announces a session to be held June 27 to August 1, 1946. The following faculty members have been chosen: Dr. J. A. Huffman, Prof. S. A. Witmer, Dr. Peder Stiansen, Dr. Andrew K. Rule; Prof. John A. Huffman, Dr. James Charbonnier, Dr. Harold B. Kuhn, and Dr. Ralph Earle.

Rev. L. J. Rice, pastor of Lowland Church, Leflore County, recently sent a list of new and renewal subscriptions.

Mississippians At Southwestern Seminary



Miss Emma Bridges recently directed a B.T.U. study course at First Church, Grenada. Eighty took the examination. Inspirational messages each evening were delivered by Dr. James D. Belote, missionary to Hawaii.

The spring revival for New Zion Church, Copiah County, was led by Rev. Joe Odle, pastor of Crystal Springs Church. During the week the picture "A Romance of a Century" was shown. Pastor Guy A. Little writes that he is already seeing fruits from the fine messages of Brother Odle. A number pledged to follow God in their work.

Dr. Selsus E. Tull has just returned to his home in Jackson after three months engagements in Arkansas supplying his former pastorate at the First Baptist Church of Pine Bluff and in aiding in two Bible Schools. In other years, Dr. Tull has twice been pastor of the First Church Pine Bluff and while there he purchased a home and will sell his home in Jackson and return to live among friends of former years.

Dr. S. E. Tull who has been supplying the First Church of Pine Bluff, Arkansas brings back word that this great church has extended a call to Rev. A. B. Pierce of the Temple Church, Ruston, Louisiana. Brother Pierce has accepted the call and will move on the field by April 14th. Brother Pierce will be remembered in Mississippi through his pastorates at Crystal Springs and New Albany, and as the first secretary of the Mississippi Education Foundation.

Copy of 1946 Prospectus may be had by addressing the President, Dr. J. A. Huffman, Winona Lake, Ind.

Mississippi Club, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Front row: left to right: C. L. Boland, Pontotoc; Harry Hannah, Sturgis; Ralph Beets, Silver Creek; Rupert Ringold, Winona; Mrs. Ivor Clark, Neshoba; Mrs. W. L. Warren, Meridian; W. L. Warren, Meridian; Mrs. Allen Webb, Itta Bena; Milton Bryant and Mrs. Milton Bryant, Blue Mountain; W. F. Garner and Mrs. W. F. Garner, Holcomb; E. L. Howell and Mrs. E. L. Howell, Jayess; Thomas Parker and Mrs. Thomas Parker, Biloxi; J. G. Miller and Mrs. J. G. Miller, Columbia.

Not included in the picture are: Ivor Clark, Mrs. C. L. Boland, Mrs. Harry Hannah, W. A. Frye and Mrs. W. A. Frye, Blue Mountain and L. L. Campbell, Jackson.

Of this group seven are completing their work this year. They are: Ivor Clark, Mrs. Ivor Clark, W. A. Frye, Harry Hannah, W. L. Warren, E. L. Howell, and J. G. Miller.

Allen Webb is completing requirements for the degree of Doctor of Theology.

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A. L. Stevens, reporter for Durant Church writes that there were three additions on March 24. Brotherhood Secretary, J. H. Street, brought the message at the evening service. They plan to organize a Brotherhood soon. C. M. Day is pastor of this church.

Rev. Glen Eric Wiley of Grenada, will pastor Judson Chastain in a meeting Pastor Judson Baptist Church of Poplarville June 24 - July 3. Rev. Earl C. Edwards, of Baldwin, will direct the singing.

Sunday School attendance at Tate Street Church, Corinth, reached an all-time high on March 31 with 211 present. H. B. Speights is pastor.

The offering for Missions on March 31 for the Mantee Sunday School was \$50 according to Superintendent L. L. George.

Mt. Vernon Church of Columbus is planning a B.T.U. study course April 15-20 with Joe Abrams, newly appointed State Associate B.T.U. Secretary, Rev. and Mrs. Boyd Armstrong, leaders in charge of mission work in Lowndes county, and Rev. O. P. Breland, pastor of Mt. Vernon Church for instructors. Books to be taught are "Living Abundantly", "Planning a Life", "Growing in Bible Knowledge" and "Bible Heroes". — Joyce McCrary, B.T.U. Director.

The Adult Union of the Macon B.T.U. recently enjoyed a duck supper, at which time the following new officers were elected to serve: President, R. H. Forbess; Vice-President, Mrs. H. S. Clark; Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Tommy Kimbrell; Associate Secretary-treasurer, William Rogers; Corresponding secretary, Mrs. R. H. Forbess; Group Captains and associates, Miss Jewel Fox, Mrs. J. R. Coza, Mrs. B. J. Sumrall, Mrs. J. E. McDavid; Bible Reader's Leader, Chorister, N. C. Jensen; Pianist, Mrs. O. U. Jones.—Reporter.

A special meeting of Tate County Association was held March 26 at Senatobia. Dr. D. A. McCall presented the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign and the association voted to accept its quota and distributed the amount to be raised among the churches.

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